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## Assessors' Report.

|                               |                    |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Valuation of real estate,     | \$ 762,670.00      |
| Valuation of personal estate, | 170,830.00         |
|                               | <hr/> \$933,500.00 |

RATE OF TAXATION \$ 18.50 PER THOUSAND.

|                         |                    |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Tax on real estate,     | \$ 14,109.40       |
| Tax on personal estate, | 3,160.35           |
| Tax on 531 polls,       | 1,062.00           |
|                         | <hr/> \$ 18,331.75 |

WE HAVE ASSESSED THE TAX AS FOLLOWS:

|                                     |                    |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| To town, school and other expenses, | \$ 14,825.00       |
| State tax,                          | 1,485.00           |
| County tax,                         | 1,455.57           |
| State highway tax,                  | 117.50             |
| Overlayings,                        | 448.68             |
|                                     | <hr/> \$ 18,331.75 |

|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Added assessments,                  | \$ 53.95 |
| Residents assessed on property,     | 523      |
| Non-residents assessed on property, | 142      |
| For poll tax only,                  | 183      |
| Number of acres of land assessed,   | 31,970   |
| Horses,                             | 522      |
| Cows,                               | 1,318    |
| Sheep,                              | 45       |
| Neat cattle, other than cows,       | 419      |
| Swine,                              | 163      |
| Fowls,                              | 4,380    |
| Number of dwelling houses assessed, | 505      |

A. L. PRATT,    }  
 F. B. ALDEN,   }  
 F. M. FULLER, } Assessors  
                           of  
                           Belchertown.



## Collector's Report.

|                                                                                          |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Balance in Collector's hands Feb. 1, 1911, for tax 1910,                                 | \$ 3,789.27  |
| He has collected interest to the amount of,                                              | 53.03        |
| Total,                                                                                   | \$ 3,842.30  |
| He has paid the Treasurer,                                                               | \$ 3,842.30  |
| The amount committed to your Collector as per Assessors' warrant, dated Aug. 25, 1911,   | \$ 18,331.75 |
| Amount of added assessments,                                                             | 51.96        |
| Interest collected on taxes from Dec. 1, 1911, to Feb. 1, 1912, as per vote of the town, | 13.86        |
| Total,                                                                                   | \$ 18,397.57 |
| He has collected and paid to the Treasurer,                                              | \$ 16,048.31 |
| He has allowed a discount to tax payers according to the vote of the town, amounting to, | 174.75       |
|                                                                                          | \$ 16,223.06 |
| Balance in Collector's hands,                                                            | \$ 2,174.51  |

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Collector.*

# Report of Supt. of Highways.

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*For the fiscal year ending Feb. 1, 1912.*

## DISTRICT NO. 1.

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Paid J. A. Peeso, | \$ 152.55 |
| A. J. Rowe,       | 42.50     |
| Wm. Lowell,       | 45.73     |
| H. Tenney,        | 36.75     |
| D. Jepson,        | 5.25      |
| A. E. Dodge,      | 3.50      |
| C. R. Green,      | 4.50      |
| E. F. Shumway,    | 4.50      |
| Geo. Harvey,      | 1.50      |
| E. Howard,        | 6.25      |
| R. & H. Bailey,   | 6.75      |
| Geo. Claflin,     | 3.00      |
| H. Witt,          | 4.50      |
| S. Stevenson,     | 1.75      |
| B. Chase,         | 1.75      |
| D. P. Spencer,    | 5.75      |
| J. Brown,         | 3.50      |
| H. Dodge,         | 2.25      |
|                   | <hr/>     |
|                   | \$ 332.28 |

## DISTRICT NO. 2.

|                |          |           |
|----------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid H. Witt,  | \$ 71.43 |           |
| Wm. Clough,    | 25.30    |           |
| H. Tenney,     | 7.85     |           |
| P. Pierce,     | 3.30     |           |
| W. Pierce,     | 1.55     |           |
| F. Squires,    | 3.50     |           |
| D. P. Spencer, | 5.00     |           |
| L. Jenks,      | 4.00     |           |
| H. Pratt,      | 3.00     |           |
|                | <hr/>    | \$ 124.93 |

## DISTRICT NO. 3.

|                  |          |          |
|------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid A. Kimball, | \$ 64.25 |          |
| W. A. Kimball,   | 12.72    |          |
| A. T. Pike,      | 11.38    |          |
| D. P. Spencer,   | 3.00     |          |
| H. Paine,        | 2.30     |          |
|                  | <hr/>    | \$ 93.65 |

## DISTRICT NO. 4.

|                   |          |          |
|-------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid H. C. Dodge, | \$ 30.07 |          |
| A. Rowe,          | 1.75     |          |
| H. Capper,        | 5.25     |          |
| A. E. Dodge,      | 1.75     |          |
| Wm. Lowell,       | 5.25     |          |
| A. T. Sparrell,   | 5.25     |          |
| Geo. Akers,       | 12.00    |          |
|                   | <hr/>    | \$ 61.32 |

## DISTRICT NO. 5.

|                  |          |          |
|------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Geo. Akers, | \$ 50.25 |          |
| Wm. Lowell,      | 15.77    |          |
| H. Dodge,        | 14.00    |          |
| F. Wilson,       | 3.51     |          |
| W. Pierce,       | 6.13     |          |
| A. T. Sparrell,  | 6.13     |          |
| D. P. Spencer,   | 2.00     |          |
|                  | <hr/>    | \$ 97.79 |



## DISTRICT NO. 6.

|                   |          |           |
|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid H. C. Dodge, | \$ 46.00 |           |
| Geo. Akers,       | 48.88    |           |
| Wm. Lowell,       | 21.87    |           |
| A. E. Dodge,      | 5.25     |           |
| W. Pierce,        | 6.12     |           |
| A. Slater,        | 3.50     |           |
| A. T. Sparrell,   | 6.12     |           |
| D. P. Spencer,    | 4.50     |           |
| F. Wilson,        | 6.13     |           |
|                   | <hr/>    | \$ 148.37 |

## DISTRICT NO. 7.

|                  |          |          |
|------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Geo. Akers, | \$ 39.88 |          |
| Wm. Lowell,      | 9.63     |          |
| H. C. Dodge,     | 8.00     |          |
| F. Wilson,       | 3.50     |          |
| H. Capper,       | 3.50     |          |
| H. Jepson,       | 3.75     |          |
| D. P. Spencer,   | 2.00     |          |
| F. Goodale,      | 1.75     |          |
|                  | <hr/>    | \$ 72.01 |

## DISTRICT NO. 8.

|                  |          |          |
|------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Geo. Akers, | \$ 32.88 |          |
| H. Jepson,       | 2.00     |          |
| Wm. Lowell,      | 7.88     |          |
| H. C. Dodge,     | 8.00     |          |
| D. P. Spencer,   | 4.00     |          |
| F. Wilson,       | 1.75     |          |
| H. Capper,       | 1.75     |          |
| R. Bailey,       | 1.75     |          |
|                  | <hr/>    | \$ 60.01 |

## DISTRICT NO. 9.

|                |          |  |
|----------------|----------|--|
| Paid H. Witt,  | \$ 52.69 |  |
| Wm. Clough,    | 41.65    |  |
| C. Lamson,     | 1.40     |  |
| D. P. Spencer, | 2.00     |  |

|                 |         |           |
|-----------------|---------|-----------|
| Paid W. Pierce, | \$ 1.95 |           |
| P. Pierce,      | 6.25    |           |
| H. Tenney,      | 5.25    |           |
| E. C. Witt,     | 2.50    |           |
| F. Escott,      | 1.75    |           |
|                 | <hr/>   | \$ 115.44 |

## DISTRICT NO. 10.

|                     |          |           |
|---------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid D. P. Spencer, | \$ 25.17 |           |
| H. Witt,            | 56.00    |           |
| J. Hurlburt,        | 31.50    |           |
| J. Brown,           | 16.25    |           |
| R. Bailey,          | 5.25     |           |
| Wm. Clough,         | 12.00    |           |
| P. Pierce,          | 8.75     |           |
| G. Clough,          | 3.50     |           |
| F. Squires,         | 14.50    |           |
| J. Archambault,     | 11.30    |           |
| H. Tenney,          | 3.50     |           |
| F. Nooney,          | 3.50     |           |
|                     | <hr/>    | \$ 191.22 |

## DISTRICT NO. 11.

|                     |          |           |
|---------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid D. P. Spencer, | \$ 26.50 |           |
| J. Moriarty,        | 39.04    |           |
| M. Moriarty,        | 14.95    |           |
| F. Squires,         | 25.05    |           |
| J. Brown,           | 7.25     |           |
| J. Hurlburt,        | 17.00    |           |
| H. Witt,            | 17.00    |           |
| C. H. Egleston,     | 2.60     |           |
| T. Austin,          | 5.75     |           |
| E. Sullivan,        | 7.88     |           |
| L. Antinavitch,     | 12.00    |           |
| J. Archambault,     | 8.60     |           |
| A. Aldrich,         | 9.94     |           |
| F. Goditt,          | 1.07     |           |
| F. Nooney,          | 1.88     |           |
|                     | <hr/>    | \$ 196.51 |

## DISTRICT NO. 12.

|                         |          |           |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid J. Moriarty,       | \$ 49.74 |           |
| M. Moriarty,            | 25.04    |           |
| L. Antinavitch,         | 20.00    |           |
| E. Sullivan,            | 14.88    |           |
| D. P. Spencer,          | 6.00     |           |
| T. Austin,              | 8.75     |           |
| F. Goditt,              | 3.50     |           |
| J. Sullivan, ( gravel ) | 3.99     |           |
| P. Garvey,              | 5.00     |           |
|                         | <hr/>    | \$ 136.90 |

## DISTRICT NO. 13.

|                       |          |           |
|-----------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid M. E. Cavanaugh, | \$ 62.25 |           |
| J. Cavanaugh,         | 51.50    |           |
| N. Smith,             | 20.50    |           |
| P. Cavanaugh,         | 20.50    |           |
| D. P. Spencer,        | 7.00     |           |
| J. Ahearn,            | 8.75     |           |
|                       | <hr/>    | \$ 170.50 |

## DISTRICT NO. 14.

|                      |          |           |
|----------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid P. J. Moriarty, | \$ 12.00 |           |
| J. Bromley,          | 24.70    |           |
| A. Adimiskiy,        | 8.39     |           |
| Wm. Bolter,          | 18.38    |           |
| D. P. Spencer,       | 31.00    |           |
| M. Sayers,           | 46.38    |           |
| Geo. Akers,          | 2.00     |           |
|                      | <hr/>    | \$ 142.85 |

## DISTRICT NO. 15.

|               |          |  |
|---------------|----------|--|
| Paid T. Cody, | \$ 72.00 |  |
| T. Sullivan,  | 31.50    |  |
| C. Sullivan,  | .88      |  |
| J. Ahearn,    | 20.63    |  |
| A. Adimiskiy, | 5.25     |  |
| E. Pimpar,    | 3.50     |  |
| F. Byron,     | 9.63     |  |



|                     |         |           |
|---------------------|---------|-----------|
| Paid D. P. Spencer, | \$ 9.00 |           |
| R. Bailey,          | 1.75    |           |
|                     | <hr/>   | \$ 154.14 |

## DISTRICT NO. 16.

|                      |          |           |
|----------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid J. W. Hurlburt, | \$ 58.00 |           |
| D. F. Shumway,       | 13.50    |           |
| Geo. Oliver,         | 5.25     |           |
| J. Archambault,      | 10.52    |           |
| R. Baggs,            | 14.62    |           |
| H. Witt,             | 15.75    |           |
| D. P. Spencer,       | 16.00    |           |
| Leon Williams,       | 4.95     |           |
| F. Squires,          | 9.75     |           |
| H. Baggs,            | 2.65     |           |
|                      | <hr/>    | \$ 150.99 |

## DISTRICT NO. 17.

|                        |          |          |
|------------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid M. A. Morse,      | \$ 91.46 |          |
| Mr. Lemon,             | 1.40     |          |
| Wm. Landry, ( gravel ) | 3.00     |          |
| F. G. Shaw, ( gravel ) | 1.60     |          |
|                        | <hr/>    | \$ 97.46 |

## DISTRICT NO. 18.

|                   |          |          |
|-------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid C. R. Green, | \$ 38.25 |          |
| E. Shumway,       | 20.25    |          |
| F. Rhodes,        | 7.87     |          |
| A. Sears,         | 6.12     |          |
|                   | <hr/>    | \$ 72.49 |

## DISTRICT NO. 19.

|                      |          |          |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid M. C. Bardwell, | \$ 55.33 |          |
| Roy Bardwell,        | 7.20     |          |
| A. Patenaude,        | 5.25     |          |
| J. R. Bardwell,      | 7.95     |          |
| R. A. Bardwell,      | 7.00     |          |
| Wm. Bardwell,        | 8.00     |          |
|                      | <hr/>    | \$ 90.73 |

## MISCELLANEOUS.

|                                                          |           |             |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Paid H. F. Curtis, repairing scrapers, etc.,             | \$ 18.40  |             |
| J. L. Smith, new parts for scrapers,                     | 26.00     |             |
| D. D. Hazen, tile, tools, spikes, etc.,                  | 48.83     |             |
| B. Billings, care of cross-walks, gutters, etc.,         | 22.50     |             |
| Express and freight on castings,                         | 2.75      |             |
| C. Austin, cutting brush,                                | 2.50      |             |
| E. R. Peeso, posts and railings,                         | 12.06     |             |
| F. Nooney, cutting brush,                                | 3.50      |             |
| S. Stevenson, picking stones,                            | 23.50     |             |
| Pratt Bros., plank and drawing same,                     | 3.44      |             |
| Mrs. Hunt, cutting brush,                                | 2.00      |             |
| J. Labelle, cutting brush,                               | 29.25     |             |
| R. Capen, for making trough,                             | 3.50      |             |
| Setting trough on Palmer road,                           | 2.00      |             |
| Mrs. Gutberlet, housing scraper,                         | 2.00      |             |
| Bridge and railings on Gilead brook,                     | 28.50     |             |
| J. Brown, cutting brush,                                 | 27.75     |             |
| J. Ahearn, cutting brush,                                | 8.75      |             |
| T. D. Potter & Co., plank, tile and cement,              | 9.52      |             |
| J. W. Hurlburt, dynamite,                                | 3.19      |             |
| Wm. Shaw, plank,                                         | 57.14     |             |
| N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culvert,                        | 46.00     |             |
| Geo. Canterbury, repairing South Belcher-<br>town sewer, | 23.60     |             |
| H. Spear, posts, railings and labor,                     | 8.50      |             |
| F. D. Walker, watering trough,                           | 1.50      |             |
| G. L. Witt, bridge timber,                               | 5.00      |             |
| P. J. Moriarty, plank and spikes,                        | 4.33      |             |
| D. P. Spencer, Supt.'s salary,                           | 35.00     |             |
|                                                          | <hr/>     | \$ 461.01   |
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1911,                        | \$ 121.23 |             |
| Raised for year ending Feb. 1, 1912,                     | 3,000.00  |             |
|                                                          | <hr/>     | \$ 3,121.23 |

|                                                           |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Expended for year ending Feb. 1, 1912,                    | \$ 2,970.60 |
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1912,                         | \$ 150.63   |
| Received to balance highway account of<br>year 1910-1911, | \$ 25.00    |

D. P. SPENCER, *Supt. of Highways.*



# Report of the Overseers of Poor.

## INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Feb. 7, 1912.

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Bed Linen,                      | \$ 23.00 |
| Table Linen,                    | 6.00     |
| Towels, etc.,                   | 2.30     |
| 7 prs. muslin curtains,         | 5.25     |
| 10 bed spreads and 25 blankets, | 16.00    |
| 5 feather beds,                 | 10.00    |
| 3 straw beds,                   | 1.50     |
| 6 mattresses,                   | 12.00    |
| 17 pillows,                     | 5.00     |
| 23 quilts,                      | 25.00    |
| 5 bed springs,                  | 14.50    |
| 1 bed room set,                 | 5.00     |
| 6 iron bed-steads,              | 15.00    |
| 5 wooden bed-steads,            | 5.00     |
| 15 bureaus,                     | 30.00    |
| 2 stands,                       | .50      |
| 25 chairs,                      | 16.00    |
| 1 dining table,                 | 6.00     |
| 1 center table,                 | 2.00     |
| 1 sofa,                         | 3.00     |

|                            |         |
|----------------------------|---------|
| 1 sewing machine,          | \$ 5.00 |
| 1 carpet sweeper,          | 2.25    |
| 1 oil heater,              | 5.25    |
| 2 cook stoves,             | 10.00   |
| 4 stoves,                  | 15.00   |
| 1 set dishes,              | 8.00    |
| Invalid chair No. 1,       | 15.00   |
| Invalid chair No. 2,       | 5.00    |
| 1 carpet,                  | 5.00    |
| 2 linoliums,               | 4.00    |
| 1 incubator,               | 3.00    |
| 1 new range,               | 45.00   |
| Pantry utensils, etc.,     | 23.00   |
| 10 lamps,                  | 2.50    |
| Meat and provisions,       | 59.80   |
| 100 gals. vinegar,         | 20.00   |
| 80 qts. canned fruit,      | 22.00   |
| 12 qts. canned pickles,    | 1.20    |
| 20 qts. canned vegetables, | 4.00    |
| 50 cans jelly,             | 4.00    |
| 3 bushels turnips,         | 1.50    |
| 100 pounds cabbage,        | 2.00    |
| 2 bushels beets,           | 2.00    |
| 1 1-2 barrels apples,      | 4.50    |
| 50 bushels potatoes,       | 55.00   |
| Stock feed,                | 8.00    |
| 100 pounds meal,           | 1.50    |
| 100 pounds cracked corn,   | 1.50    |
| 2 bushels oats,            | 1.20    |
| 15 cords wood in shed,     | 75.00   |
| 30 cords wood in yard,     | 120.00  |
| 250 bushels corn in ear,   | 125.00  |
| 10 stake chains,           | 2.50    |
| 2 cable chains,            | 4.25    |
| Hoes, shovels, etc.,       | 5.00    |
| 35 fowls,                  | 20.00   |

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| 1 double sled,                    | \$ 35.00 |
| 1 single sled,                    | 8.00     |
| 1 express sleigh,                 | 7.00     |
| 1 cutter,                         | 15.00    |
| 1 double wagon,                   | 110.00   |
| 1 express wagon,                  | 25.00    |
| 1 buggy,                          | 20.00    |
| 1 dump cart,                      | 40.00    |
| 1 manure spreader,                | 65.00    |
| 1 pr. double harnesses,           | 25.00    |
| 1 farm harness,                   | 10.00    |
| 2 buggy harnesses,                | 20.00    |
| 1 mowing machine,                 | 10.00    |
| 1 horse rake,                     | 20.00    |
| 1 tedder,                         | 5.00     |
| 5 plows,                          | 15.00    |
| 1 wheel harrow,                   | 23.00    |
| 1 spring tooth harrow,            | 8.00     |
| 1 spike tooth harrow,             | 6.00     |
| 2 cultivators,                    | 5.00     |
| 1 corn sheller,                   | 3.00     |
| 1 express pole,                   | 1.00     |
| Saws and axes,                    | 3.00     |
| 1 feed cutter,                    | 5.00     |
| 1 Cooley creamer and 15 cans,     | 25.00    |
| 1 grind stone,                    | 2.00     |
| 1 paris green blower,             | 1.50     |
| Measure and pails,                | 1.50     |
| 1 lawn mower,                     | 1.00     |
| 1 stone boat,                     | 2.00     |
| 3 1-2 thousand chestnut shingles, | 12.00    |
| 2 pr. ice tongs,                  | 1.00     |
| 1 cant hook,                      | 1.00     |
| 4 bushels walnuts,                | 8.00     |
| 65 tons ice,                      | 65.00    |
| 1 fanning mill,                   | 2.00     |



|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| 1 corn planter,               | \$ 5.00 |
| 2 ladders,                    | 3.50    |
| Lanterns, brooms and barrels, | 10.00   |
| 3 barrels ashes,              | 1.50    |
| Blankets, robes and whips,    | 20.00   |
| Cow Number 1,                 | 40.00   |
| Cow Number 2,                 | 35.00   |
| Cow Number 3,                 | 45.00   |
| Cow Number 4,                 | 50.00   |
| Cow Number 5,                 | 47.00   |
| Cow Number 6,                 | 68.00   |
| Cow Number 7,                 | 55.00   |
| Cow Number 8,                 | 40.00   |
| Cow Number 9,                 | 65.00   |
| Cow Number 10,                | 65.00   |
| Cow Number 11,                | 70.00   |
| Cow Number 12,                | 45.00   |
| Cow Number 13,                | 55.00   |
| 3 calves,                     | 20.00   |
| 1 two yr. old heifer,         | 25.00   |
| 1 bull,                       | 30.00   |
| 2 swine,                      | 30.00   |
| 3 horses,                     | 675.00  |
| 7 tons No. 1 hay,             | 140.00  |
| 8 tons meadow hay,            | 80.00   |

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\$ 3,217.00

A. L. PRATT,  
F. M. FULLER  
F. B. ALDEN,

}  
} *Appraisers.*

## WARDEN'S REPORT TO OVERSEERS OF POOR.

*Income at Town Farm from Feb. 1 1911 to Feb. 1, 1912.*

|                                       |                   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Cash on hand at beginning of year,    | \$ 9.00           |
| Rec'd for milk,                       | 1,287.08          |
| eggs,                                 | 39.26             |
| potatoes,                             | 14.75             |
| calves,                               | 61.15             |
| wood,                                 | 54.53             |
| hens,                                 | 33.87             |
| pigs,                                 | 59.50             |
| cow,                                  | 65.00             |
| apples,                               | 9.50              |
| vegetables,                           | 2.40              |
| bull,                                 | 45.00             |
| board of J. H. Davis,                 | 39.00             |
| labor with team,                      | 19.40             |
| horse rake,                           | 4.00              |
| use of telephone,                     | 1.65              |
| stock service,                        | 2.50              |
| hay,                                  | 4.00              |
| driving hearse out of town,           | 27.00             |
| carrying milk,                        | 46.74             |
| use of cart and harrows, J. A. Peeso, | 2.00              |
| use of cart, E. C. Howard,            | 6.25              |
| labor at forest fires,                | 7.50              |
|                                       | ————— \$ 1,841.08 |

*Expense at Town Farm from Feb. 1, 1911 to Feb. 1, 1912.*

|                           |          |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Paid for barbering,       | \$ 13.30 |
| washings,                 | 24.25    |
| N. S. calks,              | 2.00     |
| mending shoes,            | .40      |
| grinding grist and grain, | 22.40    |
| saw filing,               | 2.40     |
| 2 quarters beef,          | 15.00    |

|                                           |         |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid for bedding,                         | \$ 3.00 |
| newspaper,                                | 6.00    |
| clothing for Charles Sweatland,           | 6.75    |
| sawdust,                                  | 6.37    |
| evener,                                   | .25     |
| tobacco,                                  | 2.10    |
| eggs for setting,                         | .83     |
| sawing, ( H. S. Pratt )                   | 1.56    |
| garden seeds and berry plants,            | 2.39    |
| calf,                                     | 3.00    |
| umbrella for express wagon,               | .90     |
| dish pan,                                 | .50     |
| seed corn,                                | 1.50    |
| 2 shoats,                                 | 13.00   |
| medicine,                                 | .25     |
| seed potatoes,                            | 3.80    |
| fish and oysters,                         | 8.29    |
| dairy butter,                             | 4.20    |
| strawberries,                             | .25     |
| stock service,                            | 1.00    |
| wheels,                                   | 8.00    |
| wall paper and blanket pin,               | .30     |
| provisions,                               | .95     |
| advertisement in Homestead,               | 1.05    |
| money for inmates July 4 and cattleshows, | 1.50    |
| peaches, pears, berries,                  | 7.00    |
| onions,                                   | 1.00    |
| Grand Union Tea Co.,                      | 13.15   |
| fertilizer,                               | 8.70    |
| stock food,                               | 15.00   |
| planing boards,                           | .25     |
| making cider, Barrett and Snow,           | 2.80    |
| whisky barrel,                            | 1.30    |
| ice,                                      | 10.08   |
| repairing cart,                           | 2.00    |
| killing hog,                              | 1.50    |



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|----------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Paid for labor, George Harvey,         | \$ 13.33          |
| labor, Herbert Tenney,                 | 5.70              |
| labor, R. Wesson,                      | 3.00              |
| labor, Clifton Witt,                   | .25               |
| labor, William Lowell,                 | 36.50             |
| labor, Clarence Hathaway,              | 90.14             |
| labor, George Chapin,                  | 1.00              |
| labor, A. Blackmer, W. Shaw, F. Peeso, | 3.00              |
| labor, Mr. Hawkins, ( papering )       | 1.75              |
| labor, Dennis Sullivan,                | 10.60             |
| Paid the treasurer,                    | 1,455.05          |
| Cash in hands of warden,               | .49               |
|                                        | ————— \$ 1,841.08 |

Number of hearse calls in town during year, 21

Average number of inmates for year,  $4\frac{1}{4}$

HARRY CONKEY, *Warden.*

## EXPENSES AT ALMSHOUSE.

### PAUPER IN ACCOUNT.

|                                   |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| A. Bridgman, supplies,            | \$ 105.80 |
| J. W. Jackson, supplies,          | 63.94     |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., supplies,     | 149.38    |
| F. W. Fellows, supplies,          | 19.30     |
| D. L. Hazen, supplies,            | 227.56    |
| H. A. Hopkins, supplies,          | 49.65     |
| N. W. Farrar, supplies,           | 9.65      |
| Clifton Hamilton, labor,          | 36.00     |
| Geo. E. Hunt, services as warden, | 66.66     |
| D. F. Austin, repairs,            | 6.14      |
| Pratt Bros., sawing wood,         | 10.00     |
| H. S. Pratt, fertilizer,          | 14.40     |
| E. F. Flaherty, blacksmithing,    | 17.10     |
| F. B. Purdy, tobacco,             | 2.00      |
| James L. Collard, medical aid,    | 2.00      |

|                                       |                   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| James L. Collard, truss for inmate,   | \$ 3.75           |
| J. A. Peeso, fertilizer,              | 38.25             |
| H. W. Conkey, services as warden,     | 333.30            |
| Geo. Harvey, labor,                   | 20.00             |
| A. B. Howard & Son, spraying,         | 7.50              |
| D. G. Sullivan, labor,                | 42.31             |
| R. M. Guilford, difference in horses, | 50.00             |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., grain,            | 317.41            |
| R. E. Fairchild, grain,               | 155.10            |
| E. R. Peeso, grain,                   | 31.00             |
| R. E. Fairchild, fence wire,          | 7.70              |
| “ fertilizer,                         | 14.50             |
| “ supplies,                           | 1.60              |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., fertilizer,       | 10.00             |
|                                       | <hr/> \$ 1,812.00 |

#### INCOME FROM TOWN FARM.

Paid treasurer by the warden, \$ 1,465.55

Actual expense, 346.45

The warden has made 21 hearse trips in town, which are not included in town farm receipts, as it has been done in years past, which if included in receipts would bring the actual expense down to \$ 304.45

#### PAUPERS OUTSIDE OF ALMSHOUSE.

|                                              |         |
|----------------------------------------------|---------|
| Geo. E. Hunt, wood for town charge,          | \$ 6.00 |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., supplies,                | 3.00    |
| Pratt Bros., wood,                           | 1.50    |
| Dr. C. B. King, medical aid,                 | 29.50   |
| Dr. S. O. Miller, medical aid, state charge, | 7.50    |
| City of Springfield, town charge,            | 2.29    |
| “ “ “ “ “                                    | 6.00    |
| “ “ “ “ “                                    | 108.17  |
| “ “ “ “ “                                    | 17.10   |
| “ “ “ “ “                                    | 2.00    |

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|---------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| A Bridgman, supplies,                             | \$ 3.00  |           |
| Partial support of two town charges,              | 63.00    |           |
| Paid aid for town of Leominster,                  | 96.27    |           |
| D. L. Hazen, supplies for town charge,            | 5.82     |           |
| Dr. S. W. Perry, medical aid,                     | 7.00     |           |
| Dr. L. F. Lake, " "                               | 4.00     |           |
| Mrs. Esty, nursing,                               | 10.00    |           |
| Roy G. Shaw, undertaker supplies,                 | 15.00    |           |
| Stella Weston, nursing,                           | 3.00     |           |
| Dr. J. L. Collard, surgical and medical aid,      | 49.25    |           |
| Emerson Laboratory, examination, diphtheria case, | 2.20     |           |
| Dr. W. T. V. Smith, medical aid, state charge,    | 6.00     |           |
| Paid aid for city of Fitchburg,                   | 12.00    |           |
| Town of Sturbridge, town charge,                  | 97.40    |           |
|                                                   | <hr/>    | \$ 557.00 |
| Total expense of paupers,                         |          | \$ 903.45 |
| Reimbursed by the town of Leominster,             | \$ 31.84 |           |
| To be reimbursed by the town of Leominster,       | 64.43    |           |
| " " " " state, for state charge,                  | 13.50    |           |
| Due from city of Fitchburg,                       | 12.00    |           |
|                                                   | <hr/>    | \$ 121.77 |
| Total expense of paupers out, and paupers in,     |          | \$ 781.68 |
| Unexpended balance,                               |          | 118.32    |
|                                                   |          | <hr/>     |
| Appropriation for 1911,                           |          | \$ 900.00 |

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|----------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| E. R. PEESO,   | } | <i>Overseers<br/>of<br/>Poor.</i> |
| E. A. RANDALL, |   |                                   |



## Treasurer's Report.

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| 1911.   |                                     | <i>Dr.</i> |          |
|---------|-------------------------------------|------------|----------|
| Feb. 1  | Balance due on settlement,          | \$         | 2,585.95 |
| 11      | Cash of D. F. Shumway,              |            | 112.53   |
| 18      | "                                   |            | 66.26    |
| Mar. 1  | Town Farm,                          |            | 70.72    |
| 3       | C. V. R. R., fighting fire,         |            | 9.25     |
| 4       | D. F. Shumway,                      |            | 187.38   |
| 9       | "                                   |            | 52.68    |
| 11      | "                                   |            | 92.60    |
| 18      | "                                   |            | 130.00   |
| 30      | "                                   |            | 117.67   |
| April 1 | Town Farm,                          |            | 138.41   |
| 1       | Ira E. Damon, butcher's license,    |            | 1.00     |
| 1       | Fines in district court,            |            | 55.00    |
| 6       | D. F. Shumway,                      |            | 289.71   |
| 6       | John Stadler, butcher's license,    |            | 1.00     |
| 8       | D. F. Shumway,                      |            | 129.00   |
| 13      | Maurice Fitzgerald, fines,          |            | 12.00    |
| 15      | D. F. Shumway,                      |            | 54.00    |
| 15      | B. & M. R. R., fighting fire,       |            | 2.00     |
| 17      | Guy C. Allen, auctioneer's license, |            | 2.00     |
| 22      | Town Farm,                          |            | 115.00   |
| 22      | D. F. Shumway,                      |            | 133.00   |

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|------|----|-----------------------------------------------|----------|
| Apr. | 28 | Cash of A. R. Lewis,                          | \$ 3.00  |
|      | 29 | H. M. Jepson, butcher's license,              | 1.00     |
|      | 29 | Patrick J. Keys, liquor license,              | 700.00   |
|      | 29 | William F. Shaw, " "                          | 550.00   |
|      | 29 | D. F. Shumway,                                | 126.38   |
| May  | 1  | N. W. Farrar,                                 | 1.00     |
|      | 1  | Town Farm,                                    | 47.21    |
|      | 2  | D. F. Paine, butcher's license,               | 1.00     |
|      | 6  | D. F. Shumway,                                | 228.60   |
|      | 6  | "                                             | 82.40    |
|      | 11 | Gideon Chenier, butcher's license,            | 1.00     |
|      | 13 | D. F. Shumway,                                | 64.00    |
|      | 27 | Peter M. Adzima, butcher's license,           | 1.00     |
|      | 29 | D. F. Shumway,                                | 54.66    |
|      | 31 | Amherst Bank, 6 months,                       | 3,000.00 |
| June | 1  | Town Farm,                                    | 179.33   |
|      | 1  | D. F. Shumway,                                | 22.00    |
|      | 1  | Pratt Bros., for wood from Town Farm,         | 10.50    |
|      | 3  | D. F. Shumway,                                | 659.96   |
|      | 3  | State Treasurer, transportation of paupers,   | 2.40     |
|      | 17 | D. F. Shumway,                                | 63.60    |
|      | 24 | "                                             | 43.95    |
|      | 30 | Amherst Bank, note 6 months,                  | 5,000.00 |
| July | 1  | District Court for fines,                     | 30.00    |
|      | 1  | Town Farm,                                    | 119.19   |
|      | 3  | D. F. Shumway,                                | 92.56    |
|      | 5  | "                                             | 29.71    |
|      | 25 | Town of Leominster,                           | 31.84    |
| Aug. | 1  | Town Farm,                                    | 59.38    |
|      | 2  | D. F. Shumway,                                | 54.50    |
|      | 2  | "                                             | 42.00    |
|      | 10 | "                                             | 49.87    |
|      | 29 | "                                             | 22.00    |
|      | 29 | " 1911 tax,                                   | 84.72    |
|      | 31 | State Treasurer, tuition of children,         | 379.75   |
|      | 31 | " " compensation of inspection<br>of animals, | 94.70    |

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| Aug. 31 | Cash of State Treasurer, trustees Lyman Ind. School, \$               | 10.50    |
| Sept. 1 | Town Farm,                                                            | 153.09   |
| 2       | D. F. Shumway,                                                        | 594.78   |
| 2       | " 1910 tax,                                                           | 13.77    |
| 6       | " " "                                                                 | 48.63    |
| 9       | "                                                                     | 368.12   |
| 16      | " 1910 tax,                                                           | 27.31    |
| 16      | "                                                                     | 658.22   |
| 23      | "                                                                     | 1,391.78 |
| 25      | " 1910 tax,                                                           | 20.00    |
| 29      | "                                                                     | 2,314.81 |
| 30      | " 1910 tax,                                                           | 47.00    |
| Oct. 2  | District Court, for fines,                                            | 12.00    |
| 2       | Town Farm,                                                            | 65.10    |
| 2       | D. F. Shumway,                                                        | 1,667.55 |
| 5       | "                                                                     | 604.67   |
| 5       | " 1910 tax,                                                           | 25.60    |
| 10      | "                                                                     | 315.07   |
| 14      | " 1910 tax,                                                           | 16.00    |
| 14      | D. F. Shumway,                                                        | 130.78   |
| 21      | "                                                                     | 241.65   |
| 26      | " 1910 tax,                                                           | 57.64    |
| 30      | "                                                                     | 461.56   |
| Nov. 1  | Town Farm,                                                            | 136.78   |
| 1       | D. F. Shumway,                                                        | 563.42   |
| 9       | "                                                                     | 449.54   |
| 10      | T. M. Shepherd, care of Mrs. L. A. Burnett's lot in Mt Hope cemetery, | 100.00   |
| 15      | State Treasurer, Corporation tax, public service,                     | 35.20    |
| 15      | State Treasurer, Corporation business,                                | 390.16   |
| 15      | " " National Bank tax,                                                | 305.45   |
| 15      | " " Military aid,                                                     | 72.00    |
| 15      | " " State aid,                                                        | 1,938.00 |
| 15      | " " Burial of indigent soldiers,                                      | 37.00    |



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|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Nov. 17 | Cash of D. F. Shumway,                                            | \$ 186.30 |
| 17      | “ 1910 tax,                                                       | 30.00     |
| 18      | State Treasurer, acc't of School Sup't,                           | 1,250.00  |
| 22      | D. F. Shumway,                                                    | 449.22    |
| 25      | “                                                                 | 273.85    |
| 28      | “ 1910 tax,                                                       | 24.84     |
| 28      | “                                                                 | 114.72    |
| 29      | “                                                                 | 123.00    |
| 30      | State Forester, acc't of forest fires, .                          | 71.62     |
| Dec. 1  | Town Farm,                                                        | 118.00    |
| 2       | D. F. Shumway,                                                    | 600.74    |
| 2       | “                                                                 | 122.20    |
| 9       | “                                                                 | 377.30    |
| 9       | “ 1910 tax,                                                       | 20.92     |
| 16      | “ “ “                                                             | 47.35     |
| 16      | “                                                                 | 989.45    |
| 23      | N. E. Telephone Co., damage to street lamp,                       | 1.75      |
| 23      | D. F. Shumway, 1910 tax,                                          | 54.00     |
| 23      | “                                                                 | 648.20    |
| 26      | Amherst Bank, from note,                                          | 4,000.00  |
| 1912    |                                                                   |           |
| Jan. 1  | Town Farm,                                                        | 80.00     |
| 2       | D. F. Shumway, 1910 tax,                                          | 38.96     |
| 2       | “                                                                 | 316.34    |
| 4       | County Treasurer, dog fund,                                       | 326.73    |
| 6       | D. F. Shumway,                                                    | 247.42    |
| 13      | “                                                                 | 232.89    |
| 15      | Amherst Savings Bank, Calvin Bridgman<br>high school fund,        | 242.40    |
| 15      | Amherst Savings Bank, cemetery fund,                              | 73.62     |
| 20      | D. F. Shumway,                                                    | 159.97    |
| 25      | State Treasurer, Mass. school fund,                               | 1,057.10  |
| 27      | Amherst Savings Bank, cemetery,                                   | 71.26     |
| 27      | “ “ “ 3 notes due Jan. 26,<br>1913, Jan. 26, 1914, Jan. 26, 1915, | 4,500.00  |
| 30      | M. A. Shaw, for fees as sealer of weights,                        | 20.13     |

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|------|---|------------------------|--------------|
| Feb. | 1 | Cash of D. F. Shumway, | \$ 1,019.62  |
|      | 1 | “ 1910 tax,            | 230.17       |
|      | 1 | Town Farm,             | 172.84       |
|      | 1 | D. F. Shumway,         | 62.41        |
|      | 1 | “                      | 35.00        |
|      | 1 | “                      | 215.21       |
|      |   |                        | <hr/>        |
|      |   |                        | \$ 48,319.08 |

Audited Feb. 13, 1912.

G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor.*

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| 1911  |    | <i>Cr.</i>                                          |          |
| Mar.  | 8  | Cash paid M. S. Barton, services in district court, | .35      |
| Apr.  | 1  | D. H. Tillson, services in district court,          | 13.86    |
| May   | 1  | D. H. Tillson, services in district court,          | 5.28     |
|       | 2  | State Treasurer, error on Corp. tax,                | 1,146.49 |
|       | 24 | Bureau of statistics, cert. note,                   | 3.00     |
|       | 31 | Discount at Amherst Bank,                           | 67.50    |
|       | 31 | State Treasurer, acc't of liquor license,           | 312.75   |
| June  | 15 | J. A. Peeso, services in district court,            | 1.63     |
|       | 15 | M. S. Barton, services in district court,           | 8.55     |
|       | 15 | John Mullen,                                        | 4.72     |
|       | 26 | Bureau of statistics, cert. note,                   | 3.00     |
|       | 30 | Note at Amherst Bank,                               | 3,000.00 |
|       | 30 | Discount on note at Amherst Bank,                   | 112.50   |
| July  | 26 | Bureau of statistics, cert. note,                   | 3.00     |
| Aug.  | 1  | M. S. Barton, services in district court,           | 44.95    |
|       | 3  | Discount on renewed note, Amherst Bank,             | 67.50    |
| Sept. | 2  | M. S. Barton, services in district court,           | 27.02    |
|       | 2  | D. F. Shumway, services in dist. court,             | 8.06     |
|       | 30 | Edwin H. Banister, County tax,                      | 1,455.57 |
| Oct.  | 3  | M. S. Barton, services in district court,           | 4.57     |
|       | 3  | D. H. Tillson, services in district court,          | 5.88     |
|       | 6  | M. F. Austin, services in district court,           | 20.46    |

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|------|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Nov. | 1  | Cash paid M. S. Barton, services in district court,                        | \$ 9.92      |
|      | 15 | State Treasurer, state tax,                                                | 1,485.00     |
|      | 15 | State Treasurer, repairs of state highway,                                 | 117.50       |
|      | 18 | Town of Enfield, acct. of school supt.,                                    | 350.00       |
|      | 23 | Amherst Savings Bank, care of Mrs.<br>L. A. Burnett Mt. Hope cemetery lot, | 100.00       |
|      | 23 | Note at Amherst Bank,                                                      | 3,000.00     |
| Dec. | 5  | M. S. Barton, services in dist. court,                                     | 11.84        |
|      | 23 | Bureau of statistics, cert. note,                                          | 3.00         |
|      | 26 | Note at Amherst Bank,                                                      | 5,000.00     |
|      | 26 | Discount on note,                                                          | 90.00        |
| 1912 |    |                                                                            |              |
| Jan. | 2  | M. S. Barton, services in dist. court,                                     | 3.80         |
|      | 2  | D. H. Tillson, services in dist. court,                                    | 6.85         |
|      | 23 | Bureau of statistics, cert. note,                                          | 9.00         |
|      | 27 | Note at Amherst Bank,                                                      | 3,000.00     |
| Feb. | 1  | 570 town orders delivered selectmen,                                       | 23,862.72    |
|      |    | Services as treasurer,                                                     | 100.00       |
|      |    | Cash on hand,                                                              | 4,852.81     |
|      |    |                                                                            | <hr/>        |
|      |    |                                                                            | \$ 48,319.08 |

A. BRIDGMAN, *Treasurer.*

Audited Feb. 13, 1912. G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor.*



# Town Account.

## REPORT OF LIGHTING THE STREETS.

### *Expenditures for the year.*

|                                                |           |                |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1911,              | \$ 10.65  |                |
| Appropriation, March 6, 1911,                  | 390.00    |                |
|                                                | <hr/>     | \$ 400.65      |
| Paid Lewis Dodge, care of street lights,       | \$ 98.40  |                |
| "      "      for lamp post,                   | 1.50      |                |
| H. E. Atwood, care of lights,                  | 52.80     |                |
| F. W. Allen, oil for lamps,                    | 13.88     |                |
| F. W. Fellows, oil for lamps,                  | 9.08      |                |
| H. C. Davis, lamp posts, setting and painting, | 3.10      |                |
| W. L. Lauree, oil for lamps,                   | 8.00      |                |
| N. W. Farrar, " " "                            | 3.06      |                |
| D. L. Hazen, supplies,                         | 30.54     |                |
| D. F. Austin, repairing,                       | 1.00      |                |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., supplies,                  | 1.31      |                |
| B. L. Thrasher, repairing,                     | 3.30      |                |
|                                                | <hr/>     |                |
|                                                | \$ 225.97 |                |
| Central Mass. Electric Lighting Co.,           | 140.04    |                |
|                                                | <hr/>     | \$ 366.01      |
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1912,              |           | <hr/> \$ 34.64 |

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|----------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid A. H. Hubbard, insurance on Cemetery tool building, | \$ 2.50 |
| W. B. Segur, returning one birth,                        | .25     |
| J. L. Collard, returning births,                         | 1.75    |
| A. L. Pratt, taking inventory at town farm, 1911,        | 2.00    |
| J. A. Peeso, making returns at fires,                    | 10.19   |
| Geo. E. Hunt, 1½ cords wood, town hall,                  | 6.00    |
| S. A. Hodgkins, burial of Daniel O'Connors,              | 37.00   |
| L. H. Blackmer, printing and supplies,                   | 79.05   |
| "    paper,                                              | .37     |
| J. R. Gould, inspection cattle and barns,                | 89.40   |
| Hobbs, Warren & Co., license blanks,                     | 2.76    |
| S. A. Hodgkins, labor in town hall,                      | 4.25    |
| P. B. Murphy, dog license blanks,                        | 2.25    |
| D. F. Austin, pump for town well,                        | 15.00   |
| H. R. Gould, inspection of meat,                         | 28.00   |
| D. L. Hazen, treasurer's bond,                           | 20.00   |
| E. F. Flaherty, repairing wheel on fire engine,          | 2.65    |
| J. A. Peeso, care of engine house, and oil,              | 4.13    |
| H. C. Davis, repairing pump,                             | 1.00    |
| Hobbs, Warren & Co., liquor license blanks,              | .63     |
| J. A. Peeso, removing trees,                             | 12.45   |
| "    soda for extinguisher,                              | 4.50    |
| D. D. Hazen, insurance on engine house,                  | 20.00   |
| Bacon & Donovan, gasoline sprayer and supplies,          | 363.50  |
| R. W. Lyman, reporting transfers of real estate,         | 14.10   |
| A. B. Howard & Son., tagging trees, etc.,                | 2.80    |
| G. A. R., for memorial day,                              | 50.00   |
| J. A. Peeso, freight on sprayer,                         | 7.18    |
| F. B. Alden, assessors' supplies,                        | 4.25    |
| A. L. Pratt,    "    "                                   | 2.60    |
| F. D. Walker, labor on park,                             | 19.75   |
| Kokoma Machine Co., fence for cemetery,                  | 77.53   |
| A. H. Hubbard, labor in cemetery,                        | 35.00   |
| J. A. Peeso, fighting forest fires,                      | 200.00  |
| W. T. Hale, appropriation for 150 th anniversary,        | 300.00  |
| "    for July 4th celebration,                           | 200.00  |

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|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid D. L. Hazen, spraying supplies,                        | \$ 39.28 |
| D. D. Hazen, insurance on town farm buildings,              | 52.50    |
| M. & L. E. Gurley, sealers' supplies,                       | 7.10     |
| H. R. Gould, inspection of meat,                            | 27.60    |
| R. L. Hastings, fighting fires,                             | 6.50     |
| Geo. H. B. Green, services as moderator,                    | 5.00     |
| J. A. Peeso, spraying trees and supplies,                   | 161.35   |
| E. F. Flaherty, repairing pump,                             | .50      |
| Geo. H. B. Green, bond for tax collector,                   | 20.00    |
| D. F. Shumway, postage and stationery,                      | 15.00    |
| Ben. Billings, cleaning vaults at town house,               | .75      |
| M. G. Ayers, labor and material at town well,               | 4.05     |
| H. R. Gould, inspection of meat,                            | 21.50    |
| A. H. Hubbard, care of cemetery,                            | 106.00   |
| G. F. Lincoln, preparing statistics for commonwealth,       | 15.00    |
| P. J. Nelligan, laying walks,                               | 198.25   |
| J. R. Gould, inspection of cattle and barns,                | 60.00    |
| S. A. Hodgkins, burial David Pierce,                        | 37.00    |
| E. S. Lane, labor in cemeteries,                            | 33.50    |
| S. A. Hodgkins, putting up booths,                          | 1.50     |
| M. S. Barton, services as constable,                        | 27.50    |
| D. L. Hazen, supplies for repairing town hall extinguisher, | 20.51    |
| H. D. Hoag, labor and material in town hall,                | 48.54    |
| A. B. Howard & Son, exterminating brown tail moths,         | 11.00    |
| D. F. Shumway, abatement of taxes, 1910,                    | 88.41    |
| Roy G. Shaw, returning deaths,                              | 4.75     |
| E. S. Lane, labor in cemeteries,                            | 15.80    |
| D. F. Austin, repairs,                                      | .75      |
| Frances Fletcher, copying town warrants,                    | 1.00     |
| H. R. Gould, inspecting meat,                               | 37.20    |
| H. A. Hodgkins, burial Sabrina Smith,                       | 37.00    |
| B. L. Thrasher, supplies for town hall,                     | 1.27     |
| Emerson Laboratory, examination of Diphtheria cases,        | 4.20     |
| D. D. Hazen, insurance on Center school building,           | 19.20    |
| A. Bridgman, cash paid for car fare and postage,            | 30.82    |
| N. W. Farrar, fumigating candles,                           | 1.05     |



|                                                      |             |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Paid W. D. Randolph, inspecting meat,                | \$ 3.75     |
| A. C. Smith, " "                                     | 13.75       |
| A. L. Pratt, assessors' supplies,                    | 6.23        |
| M. A. Shaw, services as Sealer,                      | 40.00       |
| M. F. Sullivan, returning deaths,                    | 2.50        |
| J. L. Collard, " births,                             | 2.75        |
| M. & L. E. Gurley, supplies for Sealer,              | 3.50        |
| Dr. L. F. Lake, returning births,                    | 2.50        |
| Dr. W. B. Segur, " "                                 | 1.25        |
| L. H. Blackmer, printing bill heads,                 | 2.16        |
| " " jurors' list,                                    | 1.25        |
| " " etc.,                                            | 5.51        |
| Geo. M. Kelley, labor and paint on town hall,        | 2.70        |
| J. A. Peeso, labor and oil at engine house,          | 17.39       |
| " services as fire warden,                           | 20.00       |
| " balance due fighting fires,                        | 19.66       |
| H. S. Pratt, labor in cemetery,                      | 12.00       |
| Clapp Memorial Library, dog fund,                    | 326.73      |
| A. Bridgman, recording births, marriages and deaths, | 25.70       |
| Telephone service,                                   | 13.58       |
| Geo. B. Jackson, for care of clock,                  | 48.00       |
|                                                      | <hr/>       |
|                                                      | \$ 3,355.13 |

## ACCOUNT OF TOWN OFFICERS.

|                                                          |          |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| E. E. Sargent, services as selectman,                    | \$ 20.00 |
| A. L. Pratt, services as assessor for 1911,              | 100.00   |
| F. M. Fuller, " " "                                      | 100.00   |
| F. B. Alden, " " "                                       | 100.00   |
| A. C. Smith, services as selectman and overseer of poor, | 85.60    |
| E. A. Randall, " " " "                                   | 82.60    |
| E. R. Peeso, " " " "                                     | 100.00   |
| A. Bridgman, town clerk,                                 | 50.00    |
| " services as registrar,                                 | 17.00    |
| D. F. Shumway, balance due as collector, tax of 1910,    | 50.00    |
| " part payment, 1911,                                    | 50.00    |

|                                                  |           |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid M. P. Bowler, services as election officer, | \$ 3.00   |
| M. G. Ward, " " "                                | 4.50      |
| F. E. Austin, " " "                              | 4.50      |
| Andrew Sears, " " "                              | 4.50      |
| S. W. Perry, " " "                               | 1.50      |
| W. M. Goodell, " " "                             | 1.50      |
| E. F. Flaherty, " " "                            | 1.50      |
| A. Hubbard, " " "                                | 3.00      |
| M. E. Williams, " " "                            | 4.50      |
| Henry Aldrich, " " "                             | 4.50      |
| Everett Stebbins, " " "                          | 4.50      |
| M. A. Shaw, " " "                                | 4.50      |
| H. F. Shaw, " " "                                | 3.00      |
| D. K. Shumway, services as registrar,            | 17.00     |
| H. H. Ward, " "                                  | 17.00     |
| F. F. Dewey, " "                                 | 17.00     |
|                                                  | <hr/>     |
|                                                  | \$ 851.20 |

( The treasurer's salary is not included here. Will be found in the treasurer's report, )

#### EXPENSES AT CENTER SCHOOL BUILDING.

|                                      |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid D. P. Spencer, labor,           | \$ 142.76 |
| Geo. H. McClean Co., heating,        | 1,000.00  |
| John Swaine, fire escape and column, | 203.29    |
| W. D. Dunbar, labor painting,        | 90.00     |
| T. M. Walker & Co., doors and sash,  | 23.50     |
| W. D. Dunbar, labor,                 | 50.00     |
| D. L. Hazen, painter's supplies,     | 149.77    |
| W. D. Dunbar, labor painting,        | 30.00     |
| W. D. Dunbar, labor painting,        | 35.00     |
| Louis Boulieu, laying chimney,       | 35.00     |
| Peter Gouthier, labor,               | 10.50     |
| R. E. Fairchild, brick,              | 5.00      |
| M. G. Ayers, labor,                  | 200.00    |

|                                                     |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Paid H. D. Hoag & Son, labor and material,          | \$ 437.93    |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., supplies,                       | 9.00         |
| Geo. H. McClean & Co.,                              | 500.00       |
| O. B. Davis, labor,                                 | 7.00         |
| J. A. Peeso, labor and supplies,                    | 45.62        |
| S. A. Hodgkins, labor,                              | 8.00         |
| W. D. Dunbar, labor,                                | 20.00        |
| Arthur Lovering, inspection of boiler,              | 2.00         |
| D. P. Spencer, labor,                               | 21.00        |
| A. L. Kimball, lumber,                              | 15.00        |
| Geo. S. Warner, labor,                              | 9.00         |
| D. F. Austin, labor and material,                   | 5.30         |
| Geo. H. McClean & Co., balance on heating contract, | 350.00       |
| W. D. Dunbar, labor,                                | 120.12       |
| D. L. Hazen, supplies,                              | 149.07       |
| Geo. M. Kelley, labor,                              | 3.00         |
| E. R. Peeso, car fare, telephone, etc.,             | 9.43         |
| T. D. Potter, lumber, etc.,                         | 229.73       |
|                                                     | <hr/>        |
|                                                     | \$ 3,916.02  |
| Total,                                              | \$ 8, 122.35 |

There was an appropriation of \$ 200.00 for painting our Center school building. This will be found in the Supt. of schools report.

FOR THIS ACCOUNT THERE ARE APPROPRIATIONS  
AS FOLLOWS,

|                                             |             |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------|
| For defraying town expenses,                | \$ 2,500.00 |
| For bond and stationery for tax collector,  | 35.00       |
| For bond for treasurer,                     | 20.00       |
| For care of cemeteries,                     | 75.00       |
| For G. A. R. memorial,                      | 50.00       |
| July 4th and 150th anniversary of the town, | 500.00      |



|                                                                                                   |             |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Sidewalk appropriation, 1910,                                                                     | \$ 75.00    |
| For sidewalk appropriation, 1911,                                                                 | 75.00       |
| For suppression brown tail moth,                                                                  | 100.00      |
| For sprayer etc., for elm tree beetles,                                                           | 500.00      |
| For dog fund,                                                                                     | 326.73      |
| Received from cemetery fund,                                                                      | 144.88      |
| Received from abatement of taxes, 1910,                                                           | 88.41       |
| Due from state for inspection of cattle and barns,                                                | 74.70       |
| For burial of indigent soldiers,                                                                  | 111.00      |
| Due from C. V. R. R. Co., for fighting fires,                                                     | 169.51      |
| Due from Boston & Maine R. R., for fighting fires,                                                | 14.85       |
| Received from sealer of weights and measures, for fees,                                           | 20.13       |
|                                                                                                   | <hr/>       |
|                                                                                                   | \$ 4,880.21 |
|                                                                                                   | <hr/>       |
| Bills paid in excess of appropriation, and for money<br>received and for bills due on town acc't. | \$ 3,245.24 |

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT OF TOTAL  
EXPENDITURES IN DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS.

|                                                                                |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| On last year's highway account,                                                | \$ 25.00     |
| D. P. Spencer, on 1911 account,                                                | 2,970.60     |
| For various purposes, town account,                                            | 3,355.13     |
| For repairs on center school building heating,<br>ventilating, painting, etc., | 3,916.02     |
| For support of schools, etc.,                                                  | 7,743.76     |
| For expenses at almshouse,                                                     | 1,812.00     |
| For expenses outside of almshouse,                                             | 557.00       |
| For salaries of town officers,                                                 | 851.20       |
| For street lighting,                                                           | 366.01       |
| For military aid,                                                              | 180.00       |
| For state aid,                                                                 | 2,086.00     |
|                                                                                | <hr/>        |
|                                                                                | \$ 23,862.72 |

We have issued 570 orders given to the treasurer  
to the amount of, \$ 23,862.72

|                |   |                                          |
|----------------|---|------------------------------------------|
| E. R. PEESO,   | } | <i>Selectmen<br/>of<br/>Belchertown.</i> |
| A. C. SMITH,   |   |                                          |
| E. A. RANDALL, |   |                                          |

Audited Feb. 14, 1912. G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor.*

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FIGURES COMPILED BY THE AUDITOR SHOWING THE  
FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN, FEB. 14, 1912.

BILLS RECEIVABLE.

|                                               |             |             |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| In hands of collector,                        | \$ 2,174.51 |             |
| In hands of treasurer,                        | 4,852.81    |             |
| Due from state :                              |             |             |
| For state aid,                                | 2,255.00    |             |
| For military aid,                             | 96.00       |             |
| For cattle and barn inspection,               | 74.70       |             |
| For burial of indigent soldiers and widows,   | 111.00      |             |
| For aid to state charge,                      | 13.50       |             |
| From city of Leominster,                      | 64.43       |             |
| From city of Fitchburg,                       | 12.00       |             |
| From C. V. Railroad, for fighting fire,       | 169.51      |             |
| From Boston & Maine R. R., for fire fighting, | 14.85       |             |
|                                               | <hr/>       | \$ 9,838.31 |

BILLS PAYABLE.

|                                       |             |             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Note due Amherst Bank, Jan. 26, 1913, | \$ 1,500.00 |             |
| Note due Amherst Bank, Jan. 26, 1914, | 1,500.00    |             |
| Note due Amherst Bank, Jan. 26, 1915, | 1,500.00    |             |
| Note due Amherst Bank, June 26, 1912, | 4,000.00    |             |
|                                       | <hr/>       | \$ 8,500.00 |
| Surplus,                              |             | \$ 1,338.31 |

Having heard many extravagant and misleading remarks concerning the financial standing of the town, I will rake clean and append the following.

Work has begun to abolish a grade crossing at or near Barret's Junction. An equitable portion of the expense will be assessed on this town, but as no data is available and will not be, till the work is completed, the bill, whatever it may be cannot be considered a part of the town debit at this time. There may be a few dollars demanded later in a pauper case, but as yet no bill has been presented, this item therefore cannot now be considered a part of the debit.

A true statement respectfully submitted by your auditor.

G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor.*



## Cemetery Account.

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|                                                                              |             |             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Bequests for perpetual care of lots in Mount Hope cemetery previous to 1911, | \$ 3,756.57 |             |
| Received for care of Loman Burnett lot,                                      | 100.00      |             |
| Total legacies to date, Feb. 1, 1912,                                        | —————       | \$ 3,856.57 |
| Balance in treasury, Feb. 1, 1911,                                           | \$ 144.22   |             |
| Interest on fund,                                                            | 161.36      |             |
| Appropriation,                                                               | 50.00       |             |
|                                                                              | —————       | \$ 355.58   |

*Dr.*

|                                                                                                                                     |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| To A. H. Hubbard for care of lots, mowing avenues, cleaning and resetting stones, filling graves and painting gates and tool house, | \$ 114.00 |
| To mowing, blacksmith work, cement and labor at South cemetery,                                                                     | \$ 27.00  |
| To A. H. Hubbard, insurance on tool house,                                                                                          | 2.50      |
| To E. S. Lane, for mowing Liberty, Holyoke, and Tylerville cemeteries,                                                              | 13.00     |
| Fence for Lake Vale cemetery, and erecting same,                                                                                    | 87.53     |
| Paint and labor at Lake Vale, Tylerville, Liberty and South cemeteries,                                                             | 26.30     |

To H. S. Pratt, for mowing and labor at Lake  
Vale, Union and West Hill cemeteries,

\$ 12.00

\$ 282.33

Unexpended balance Feb. 1, 1912,

\$ 73.25

The Burial Ground Commissioners respectfully  
submit these reports and recommend an ap-  
propriation of \$ 50.00.

|                |   |                                             |
|----------------|---|---------------------------------------------|
| E. S. LANE,    | } | <i>Burial<br/>Ground<br/>Commissioners.</i> |
| A. H. HUBBARD, |   |                                             |
| H. S. PRATT,   |   |                                             |

## Report on Funds.

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### MRS. SUSAN M. D. BRIDGMAN FUND.

|                                            |           |           |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance Feb. 1, 1911,           | \$ 416.95 |           |
| Rec'd April 1, 1911,                       | 140.00    |           |
| Rec'd Oct. 1, 1911,                        | 140.00    |           |
|                                            | <hr/>     | \$ 696.95 |
| Apr. 1, 1911, paid Clapp Memorial Library, | \$ 50.00  |           |
| Gave aid to 15 families,                   |           |           |
| Issued 71 orders to the amount of,         | \$ 371.00 |           |
|                                            | <hr/>     | \$ 421.00 |
| Unexpended balance Feb. 1, 1912,           |           | \$ 275.95 |

### WHITING STREET FUND.

|                                    |           |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance Feb. 1, 1911,   | \$ 326.96 |           |
| Rec'd Sept. 1, 1911,               | \$ 290.00 |           |
|                                    | <hr/>     | \$ 616.96 |
| Gave aid to 14 families,           |           |           |
| Issued 71 orders to the amount of, |           | 366.05    |
|                                    |           | <hr/>     |
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1912,  |           | \$ 250.91 |

|                                                                                         |   |                  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|------------------|
| E. R. PEESO,<br>A. C. SMITH,<br>E. A. RANDALL,<br>MRS. M. G. WARD,<br>MRS. M. A. MORSE, | } | <i>Almoners.</i> |
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## Tree Warden's Report.

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|                                             |           |           |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation,                              |           | \$ 500.00 |
| Paid for spraying apparatus and fixtures,   | \$ 363.50 |           |
| Arsenate of lead, gasoline, etc.,           | 39.28     |           |
| Hauling truck and putting in working order, | 4.00      |           |
| Express on hose,                            | .75       |           |
| Freight on spraying apparatus,              | 7.18      |           |
| Labor of self, three men and use of team,   | 74.50     |           |
| Services as tree warden,                    | 10.00     |           |
| Unexpended balance,                         | .79       |           |
|                                             | <hr/>     | \$ 500.00 |
|                                             |           |           |
| Miscellaneous expenses.                     |           |           |
| Removing trees,                             | \$ 12.45  |           |
| Labor, 3rd. and 4th. July,                  | 9.00      |           |
| One extension ladder,                       | 10.00     |           |
|                                             | <hr/>     | \$ 31.45  |

I would suggest that the town raise the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for spraying as the trees should be sprayed twice during the year 1912.

J. A. PEESO, *Tree Warden.*

## Forest Fire Warden's Report.

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|                                                                                 |           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Amount expended in fighting forest fires,                                       | \$ 280.76 |
| Of this amount there is due from railroads for<br>fires caused by locomotives,- | \$ 184.36 |
| Forest fires from unknown causes,                                               | 96.40     |
|                                                                                 | <hr/>     |
|                                                                                 | \$ 280.76 |
| Services as fire warden,                                                        | 10.00     |
|                                                                                 | <hr/>     |
|                                                                                 | \$ 290.76 |

I would suggest that the town raise the sum of two hundred dollars, for the purchase of extinguishers, half of which amount will be paid by the state.

J. A. PEESO, *Forest Fire Warden.*

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## Report of Fire Department.

|                                                 |          |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------|
| For investigating and reporting five fires,     | \$ 5.50  |
| Oil for heating engine house,                   | 3.08     |
| Care of engine house, recharging extinguishers, | 21.00    |
| attendance at fires, etc.,                      | 4.50     |
| Soda, freight, etc.,                            | <hr/>    |
|                                                 | \$ 34.08 |

J. A. PEESO, *Chief of Fire Department.*

## Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures.

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|                                                  | Sealed.  | Condemned. |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Number of platform scales sealed over 5000 lbs., | 3        |            |
| “ under 5000 lbs.,                               | 17       |            |
| “ of computing scales,                           | 2        |            |
| “ adjusted,                                      | 1        |            |
| “ of all other scales sealed,                    | 25       |            |
| “ condemned,                                     |          | 1          |
| “ weights sealed,                                | 121      |            |
| “ “ condemned,                                   |          | 3          |
| “ dry measures sealed,                           | 46       |            |
| “ “ “ condemned,                                 |          | 1          |
| “ liquid measures sealed other than milk jars,   | 46       |            |
| “ “ “ condemned,                                 |          | 3          |
| “ linear measures,                               | 16       |            |
| Adjusting charges,                               | \$ .30   |            |
| Sealing fees,                                    | 19.83    |            |
|                                                  | <hr/>    |            |
| Total paid to treasurer,                         | \$ 20.13 |            |
| Received for services as sealer,                 | \$ 40.00 |            |

M. A. SHAW, *Sealer.*



# Report of 150th Anniversary Committee 1911.

## RECEIVED.

|                                              |    |        |           |
|----------------------------------------------|----|--------|-----------|
| Balance of appropriation for July 4, 1910,   | \$ | 14.56  |           |
| Appropriation, 1911,                         |    | 500.00 |           |
| Net proceeds of sale of seals and envelopes, |    | 8.42   |           |
| For postage,                                 |    | .50    |           |
| Net proceeds of sale of ice cream,           |    | 3.85   |           |
|                                              |    | <hr/>  | \$ 527.33 |

## EXPENDED.

1911

|         |                              |    |        |
|---------|------------------------------|----|--------|
| June 12 | Printing,                    | \$ | 6.72   |
| July 4  | Parade prizes,               |    | 75.00  |
| 4       | Turners Falls Military Band, |    | 130.84 |
| 4       | Pageant committee,           |    | 14.56  |
| 4       | “ “                          |    | 20.00  |
| 5       | Fire-works,                  |    | 100.00 |
| 6       | Printing,                    |    | 20.48  |
| 7       | Speakers,                    |    | 75.00  |
| 7       | Hotel for entertaining band, |    | 41.00  |
| 8       | Committee on athletics,      |    | 15.00  |
| 10      | Badges,                      |    | 1.60   |
| 10      | Decorations for library,     |    | 5.00   |

|                         |         |           |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Rent of costume,        | \$ 2.00 |           |
| Account of D. L. Hazen, | 2.83    |           |
| Postage and sundries,   | 17.30   |           |
|                         | <hr/>   | \$ 527.33 |

|                |                  |
|----------------|------------------|
| W. T. HALE,    | M. A. MORSE,     |
| D. D. HAZEN,   | R. E. FAIRCHILD, |
| H. A. HOPKINS, | J. A. PEESO,     |
| L. W. DILLON,  | H. F. CURTIS,    |

*Committee on 150th Anniversary.*

Audited Jan. 31, 1912.

G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor*

# Report of Town Clerk.

*For the year ending Dec. 31. 1911.*

## STATISTICS OF

### BIRTHS.

|            |   |              |   |            |   |           |   |
|------------|---|--------------|---|------------|---|-----------|---|
| January,   | 6 | April,       | 3 | July,      | 1 | October,  | 2 |
| February,  | 3 | May,         | 4 | August,    | 2 | November, | 3 |
| March,     | 1 | June,        | 3 | September, | 2 | December, | 0 |
| Males, 14; |   | Females, 16; |   | Total, 30. |   |           |   |

### RETURN OF BIRTHS.

|                     |    |                 |    |
|---------------------|----|-----------------|----|
| Dr. S. C. Miller,   | 1  | Dr. L. F. Lake, | 10 |
| " W. B. Segur,      | 5  | " C. H. Giroux, | 3  |
| " James L. Collard, | 11 |                 |    |

### MARRIAGES.

|                                |                     |    |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|----|
| Number of intentions recorded, |                     | 17 |
| " marriages                    | "                   | 19 |
| First marriage,                | Males, 16; Females, | 15 |
| Second "                       | " 2; "              | 3  |
| Third "                        | " 1; "              | 1  |
| Youngest male married,         | 21 female           | 17 |
| Oldest " "                     | 66 "                | 61 |



## DEATHS.

|           |   |        |   |            |   |           |   |
|-----------|---|--------|---|------------|---|-----------|---|
| January,  | 4 | April, | 3 | July,      | 2 | October,  | 4 |
| February, | 2 | May,   | 5 | August,    | 2 | November, | 5 |
| March,    | 4 | June,  | 0 | September, | 4 | December, | 2 |

Males, 17 ;

Females, 20

Native born, 34 ;

Foreign born, 3

Number of town meetings, 6

Mortgages, Bill of Sales and Attachments recorded for the year, 28

## DOG LICENSE.

Males, 196, at \$ 2.00,

\$ 392.00

Females, 16, " 5.00,

80.00

----- \$ 472.00

Paid the above amount ( less fees ) to county treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk.*

## Report of the Local Moth Supt.

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Your local superintendent finds that the Brown Tail Moths are quite generally distributed through the town, although they are more numerous in some sections than others.

The moths have made a rapid increase in the last two years in the town. This is the inevitable result of the moths strong and irresistible movement westward and we must ever look for increasing numbers in spite of all that we can do to keep the moths under control.

The time has arrived when no person should be surprised to find the moths on his premises, but rather, should carefully examine his trees with the expectation of finding one or more of the Brown Tail nests.

Your local superintendent, realizing the great importance of keeping the moths under control, and the very large area of the town to be covered in the work against the moths, feels that he is justified in asking for an appropriation sufficient to carry on the work in the most successful manner possible. One important thing for every voter to remember in this, and in future years, is the fact that the larger part of the amount of the money raised each spring must be held in reserve for work against the moths in the following winter. The selectmen have already sent out for two years to all property owners in town a notice of the requirements of the state law in regard to the local control of these pests.

The superintendent has placed in the post office colored illustrations both of the gypsy and brown tail moths in their various stages of devel-

ment. All persons interested in these moths should examine these illustrations carefully.

It is the earnest desire of your local superintendent that all property owners co-operate with him in this very important work of holding these pests in check as far as it is possible. The writer is glad to furnish instructions any time as to the best methods of work against the moths.

### THE CHESTNUT BARK DISEASE.

Your local superintendent having had a little knowledge of this disease and the same having come under his personal observation, feels the urgent necessity of bringing this matter before every resident of the town. The writer merely wishes to voice the sentiments of the United States Department of Agriculture, the state forester and other highest authorities in our land in proclaiming a strong note of warning to all persons, especially those interested in forestry.

This chestnut bark disease threatens to exterminate the whole species in the east, in a comparatively few years, unless there is a most strenuous work done by man to stop its progress.

In the short period of less than ten, and probably nearer five years, we shall see nearly if not all of our chestnut trees to have gone into the history of the past! This blight or disease appears to be quite generally distributed throughout this town and has already begun its work of terrible destruction!

This disease was first discovered in 1904, near New York City. It has now spread into 10 states and has caused a loss of over \$ 25,000,000. The disease is caused by a fungus parasite. When any of the spores of this fungus gain entrance into any part of the trunk or limbs of a chestnut tree, they give rise to a spreading sore or lesion. If the part attacked happens to be the trunk the whole tree is killed, perhaps in a single season. If the smaller branches are the ones attacked, only the branches are killed and the remainder of the tree may survive for several years. After a trunk or branch is girdled, the leaves change to a yellowish color and sooner or later wither, their leaves together with or without half developed burrs may be seen on the tree all winter. Another symptom is the development of bunches of sprouts below the gird-



ling lesion, while another is the yellow, orange or reddish brown pustule, of the fenting fungus on the bark, this however is very much easier to detect on smooth bark trees. The spores of the disease is spread by birds, squirrels etc., also by infected unbarked lumber and wood.

The only known method of checking the blight is by cutting and burning the diseased limb or tree. This method is necessarily a complicated and very expensive one, for it would require a tree to tree inspection. The State Forester thinks that already matters have gone so far that the fight is hardly worth the cost to undertake its control, and he is of the opinion that in any event a few years will see the last of the chestnut tree in Massachusetts.

His advise is for those who still have sound timber to either sell or cut the same at once! Any one interested in this disease can have a special bulletin on the subject by addressing the State Forester, No. 6 Beacon St., Boston, Mass.

EVERETT C. HOWARD, *Local Moth Supt.*

## Minutes of Town Meeting held March 6, 1911.

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Meeting called to order at 10-20 o'clock A. M. by Town Clerk Arthur Bridgman, who read the warrant and then called for action under article one.

### ARTICLE 1.

George H. B. Green was elected Moderator.

Prayer was offered by Rev. M. H. Fishburn.

### ARTICLE 2.

Voted to waive the reading of the reports of the town officers, and they were all accepted. Then the time for the opening of the polls having arrived it was voted to take up article 3rd.

### ARTICLE 3.

Ballot Clerks, Tellers, and Counters sworn, ballots delivered to Ballot clerks, and receipt taken. Keys to ballot box delivered to M. S. Barton constable, ballot box opened and found empty, polls opened at 10-30 o'clock.

Ballot clerks, Frank E. Austin and M. E. Williams.

Tellers, Everett Stebbins and Andrew Sayers.

Gate keepers, A. H. Hubbard and H. M. Aldrich.

Counters, M. P. Bowler, M. G. Ward, H. F. Shaw, and M. A. Shaw.

## ARTICLE 4.

Tree Warden, James A. Peeso.

Fence Viewers ; A. L. Pratt, H. M. Jepson, and W. M. Goodell.

8 Measurers of Wood.

Guy C. Allen Jr.,  
J. A. Peeso,  
E. A. R. Fairchild,  
Lyman Randolph,  
Charles Dickinson,  
E. A. Fuller,  
M. A. Shaw,  
E. F. Shumway.

8 Surveyors of Lumber.

E. F. Flaherty,  
E. E. Snow,  
Philip Dodge,  
James A. Peeso,  
E. R. Peeso,  
Fred Fuller,  
H. S. Pratt,  
H. H. Barrett.

6 Field Drivers,

E. C. Howard,  
E. E. Gay,  
Austin Kimball,  
Almon Lovett,  
George Dwight,  
Michael Cavin,

2 Almoners Whiting Street &  
Mrs. S. M. D. Bridgman Fund.

Mrs. M. A. Morse,  
Mrs. M. G. Ward.

Trustee for Calvin Bridgman  
Fund,  
George H. B. Green.

## ARTICLE 5.

Voted to suspend action on this article and take up article 32,  
and then voted to raise the sum of \$ 6,000.00.

## ARTICLE 32.

Voted to instruct the Selectmen to grant the franchise on part 1  
and 2.

And then voted that we instruct the Selectmen to grant to A. M.  
Baggs, and others a franchise to dig up the highway and lay water  
pipes and to construct any other apparatus necessary to install a water  
plant and to erect poles and run wires for electric lighting all within  
the town of Belchertown in accordance with the views of the select-  
men but to limit the time of starting work on same to one year and  
the time of completion of same to three years.

## ARTICLE 6.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 300.00.



ARTICLE 7.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 900.00.

ARTICLE 8.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 2,500.00.

ARTICLE 9.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 3,000.00.

ARTICLE 10.

Voted to furnish bond for Treasurer, \$ 20.00.

ARTICLE 11.

Voted to furnish bond, stationery, etc., to the amount of \$ 35.00.

ARTICLE 12.

Voted to leave with the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 13.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 390.00.

ARTICLE 14.

Voted to authorize.

ARTICLE 15.

Voted to authorize.

ARTICLE 16.

Part 1. Voted to lay on the table.

Part 2. Voted that a discount of 2 per cent be allowed on all taxes paid on or before Oct. 1st., 1 per cent before Nov. 1st., and interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum be charged on all taxes after Dec. 1st., 1911.

ARTICLE 17.

Voted to leave with Selectmen.

ARTICLE 18.

Voted to refuse to appoint such a committee, and then voted to choose a committee of 3 by nomination and the following were chosen, M. S. Barton, H. A. Hopkins and J. R. Gould.

ARTICLE 19.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 75.00.

ARTICLE 20.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 50.00.

## ARTICLE 21.

Voted to accept the sum of \$ 92.76.

## ARTICLE 22.

Voted that we raise the sum of \$ 200.00 to celebrate the 4th of July, 1911, and that we choose a committee of three by nomination as a committee to expend the same amount for a suitable celebration, and the following committee were chosen, L. W. Dillon, H. F. Curtis, and James A. Peeso. At 3 o'clock voted to keep the polls open until 3.30.

## ARTICLE 23.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 400.00.

## ARTICLE 24.

Voted to raise.

## ARTICLE 25.

Part 1 st. Voted to indefinitely postpone.

" 2nd. " " " "

## ARTICLE 26.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 75.00.

## ARTICLE 27.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 100.00.

## ARTICLE 28.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 500.00.

## ARTICLE 29.

Voted to observe the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary on the 4th of July and add a committee of 5. A committee of 3 were appointed by the chair to appoint such a committee, Roswell Allen, E. R. Peeso and M. S. Barton, who brought in the names of W. T. Hale, E. A. Rudd Fairchild, M. A. Morse, D. D. Hazen and H. A. Hopkins, to act in conjunction with the committee chosen for the 4th. of July celebration and voted to raise the sum of \$ 300.00.

## ARTICLE 30.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

## ARTICLE 31.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

ARTICLE 33.

Voted to indefinitely postpone action and that the board of health look into the matter.

ARTICLE 34.

Voted to adopt resolutions.

ARTICLE 35.

Voted to instruct the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 36.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

ARTICLE 37.

Voted to authorize.

ARTICLE 38.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

ARTICLE 39.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

ARTICLE 40.

Voted to suspend action.

ARTICLE 3.

At 6-45 o'clock the counting of the ballots being completed, the Moderator announced the result as follows :

TOWN CLERK.

Arthur Bridgman, 248 votes, blanks, 45.

TOWN TREASURER.

Arthur Bridgman, 236 votes, blanks, 57.

SELECTMEN.

Edward R. Peeso, 213 votes, E. E. Sargent, 166 votes,

E. A. Randall, 177 " Asa C. Smith, 220 "

Blanks, 103.

ASSESSOR for 3 years.

F. M. Fuller, 210 votes, Thomas J. Landers, 62 votes,

Blanks, 21.

AUDITOR.

E. F. Flaherty, 125 votes, G. F. Lincoln, 127 votes, blanks 41.



## TAX COLLECTOR.

Dwight F. Shumway, 236,

blanks 57.

## CONSTABLES.

Guy C. Allen, Jr., 168 votes,

M. F. Austin, 169 votes.

M. S. Barton, 187 votes,

John J. Garvey 1st. 85 votes,

Chas. A. Marsh, 81 votes,

James A. Peeso, 141 votes,

William F. Shaw, 88 votes,

Dennis J. Shea, 50 votes,

E. F. Shumway, 141 votes,

Blanks 349.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 years.

E. A. R. Fairchild, 235 votes,

Blanks 60.

## BURIAL GROUND COMMISSIONER. 3 years.

Homer S. Pratt, 234 votes,

Blanks 65.

## LICENSE.

Yes 143 votes,

No 141 votes,

Blanks 9.

ARTHUR BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk.*



# Annual Report

## OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.



### Organization, March, 1911 -- March, 1912.

|                             |                            |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| ROSWELL ALLEN, Chairman,    | Term Expires, March, 1913. |
| R. E. FAIRCHILD, Secretary, | Term Expires, March, 1914. |
| MERRICK A. MORSE,           | Term Expires, March, 1912. |

### Superintendent of Schools.

|                 |                              |
|-----------------|------------------------------|
| ALVAN R. LEWIS, | Term Expires, Sept. 1, 1912. |
|-----------------|------------------------------|

### Truant Officer.

D. F. SHUMWAY.



## School Calendar.

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### HIGH SCHOOL.

|        |                  |          |       |          |
|--------|------------------|----------|-------|----------|
| Spring | Term will begin, | Apr.     | 8,    | 1912     |
| "      | "                | " close, | June  | 28, 1912 |
| Fall   | "                | " begin, | Sept. | 2, 1912  |
| "      | "                | " close, | Dec.  | 20, 1912 |
| Winter | "                | " begin, | Dec.  | 30, 1912 |
| "      | "                | " close, | Mar.  | 21, 1913 |

### GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

|        |                  |          |       |          |
|--------|------------------|----------|-------|----------|
| Spring | Term will begin, | Apr.     | 1,    | 1912     |
| "      | "                | " close, | June  | 14, 1912 |
| Fall   | "                | " begin, | Sept. | 9, 1912  |
| "      | "                | " close, | Dec.  | 20, 1912 |
| Winter | "                | " begin, | Dec.  | 30, 1912 |
| "      | "                | " close, | Mar.  | 7, 1913  |

### GRADED SCHOOLS.

|        |                  |          |       |          |
|--------|------------------|----------|-------|----------|
| Spring | Term will begin, | Apr.     | 1,    | 1912     |
| "      | "                | " close, | June  | 14, 1912 |
| Fall   | "                | " begin, | Sept. | 9, 1912  |
| "      | "                | " close, | Nov.  | 22, 1912 |
| Winter | "                | " begin, | Dec.  | 1, 1912  |
| "      | "                | " close, | Feb.  | 14, 1913 |

In all schools, Christmas recess from  
Dec. 20, 1912, to Dec. 30, 1912.

## Teachers and Wages.

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|                 |                     |                    |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| High School,    | Wilbur F. Burt,     | \$ 1,000.00        |
| “ “             | Helen J. Goodspeed, | 565.00             |
| “ “             | Irma Dyson,         | 500.00             |
| Center Gram.,   | Katherine Sampson,  | \$ 12.50 per week. |
| “ Int.,         | S. Belle Snow,      | 10.00 per week.    |
| “ Prim.,        | Emma Richardson,    | 10.00 per week.    |
| Cold Spring,    | Bridget Fitzgerald, | 8.00 per week.     |
| Franklin Gram., | Nellie G. Shea,     | 9.00 per week.     |
| “ Prim.,        | Nellie L. Sullivan, | 10.00 per week.    |
| Liberty,        | Agnes Dillon,       | 9.50 per week.     |
| Washington,     | May Horr,           | 9.00 per week.     |
| Chestnut Hill,  | Elizabeth Doyle,    | 8.50 per week.     |
| Federal,        | Ella Moriarty,      | 9.00 per week.     |
| Lake Vale,      | Libbie Gutberlett,  | 7.50 per week.     |
| Union,          | Edith L. Towne,     | 9.00 per week.     |
| West Hill,      | Clifton Witt,       | 7.00 per week.     |
| Blue Meadow,    | Florence Gould,     | 7.00 per week.     |

# Report of Superintendent of Schools.

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*To the School Committee of Belchertown,*

Gentlemen:

I have the honor of submitting for your consideration my fourth annual report which is the eighth annual report, being the eighth of the series.

## ATTENDANCE.

The attendance during the year has not been quite as good as usual. This was caused in most cases by sickness. The per cent of attendance was ninety-one. Every child between the ages of seven and fourteen who is physically and mentally able is required by law to regularly attend school. Yet a few parents keep their children out of school or allow them to stay out without any good reason. There is still carelessness on the part of a few parents and many children in regard to punctuality. If the parents realized the injury that the habit of being late will cause the child in life, I believe more care would be taken to have him in school on time.

## CHANGE OF TEACHERS.

There has been an unusual number of changes of teachers. At the close of the spring term, Mr. J. V. Jewett resigned his position as principal of the high school to accept a position in New Britain, Conn.; Miss Margaret Culley resigned as teacher



of the Federal school to accept a position in Chicopee; Miss I. Louise Brown resigned as teacher of the Washington school to accept a position in Providence, R. I.; and Miss Mary C. Silva resigned as teacher of the Center Grammar school.

Mr. Walter F. Burt, a graduate of Boston University was elected principal of the high school; Miss Katherine Sampson was transferred from the Primary school to the Grammar school; and Miss Emma Richardson, a graduate of the Plymouth Normal school was elected teacher of the Primary school. Miss Ella Moriarty, a graduate of our high school and of the Westfield Normal School was elected teacher of the Federal school; and Miss May Horr, a graduate of the Westfield Normal School was elected teacher of the Washington school. At the close of the fall term, Mr. Roland Shaw resigned his position at West Hill and Mr. Clifton Witt, was placed in charge of the School. During the fall term Miss May Carmody resigned her position at Chestnut Hill to accept a position in Barre, Mass., and Elizabeth Doyle, a graduate of the New Britain Normal school was elected to fill the vacancy. Miss Irma Dyson, a graduate of Mt. Holyoke College, was elected teacher of German and English in the High school.

#### CLOSING RURAL SCHOOLS.

Four of our rural schools have been closed during the last four years, and nearly all the pupils are conveyed to the center schools. The parents in nearly every case, recognize the greater advantages the pupils receive by the change. West Hill, as will be noted by the school statistics has very few pupils. It would be a great benefit to these pupils to attend the Union school as soon as suitable conveyance can be provided.

#### REPAIRS.

Only a few general repairs, excepting the painting of the high school building, are required. The school house at Union, at Holyoke and the one at West Hill need painting and a few general repairs will be necessary this year. Shutters are needed for the windows of the school buildings at Franklin and Federal St., so that they can be protected during the vacations.

### INDUSTRIAL WORK.

The work in the school garden at the center has been continued, and all the work including the plowing has been done by the pupils. Each pupil was given a small plot and was held responsible for the work. On account of the late spring and early frosts, very little was realized from either the vegetable or flower garden. The flower garden at the Franklin school fared no better.

The pupils at the Franklin grammar school have been instructed in needle and fancy work. The exhibition of school work given in June was a credit to teacher and pupils.

### HIGH SCHOOL.

During the summer vacation the high school building was painted inside and out; an additional room was finished off for the use of a much needed second assistant; the wood room was finished for a dressing room; a new fire escape was placed on the building; and an approved heating and ventilating system was installed. This required a boiler room and coal pocket to be built. The system has proved satisfactory. Although the opening of the center schools was delayed from five to seven weeks, causing the shortening of the high school year to thirty-six weeks, improvement is noticable throughout the building. The only permanent expense caused by the change is a slight increase in the salary of the janitor and in the cost of fuel.

We are endeavoring in all our school work to develop the pupil, mentally, morally and physically. Any system that does not accomplish the best possible results along these lines is withholding from the pupils that which rightfully belongs to them.

Our school year below the seventh grades consists of only thirty-two weeks. The year is divided into three short terms with a vacation in the spring, of six or seven weeks. Most of the pupils are in schools in which, are from six to nine grades, giving the teachers very little time to devote to each class. It is needless to remark that it is impossible to give the pupils as thorough preparation as is given pupils who have the benefit of

a school year of thirty-six or forty weeks. There are only four towns in the state, excluding Belchertown, that have a school year of only thirty-two weeks,—Oakham, Savoy, Windsor and Otis. These towns do not maintain a high school.

I recommend that the school year for all the schools below the high school be increased to thirty-six weeks.

I call your attention to the reports of the principal of the high school and teacher of music.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAN R. LEWIS.

Feb. 1, 1912.



## Report of High School Principal.

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*To the Sup't of Schools and the School Committee of Belchertown :*  
Gentlemen :

The report of the Principal of the High School for 1911-1912 is herewith snbmitted.

The remodelling of the high school building has provided a room for each of the three teachers, so that three classes can be conducted at the same time, and the program for the several courses has been so arranged that each class has sufficient room, and there is no crowding in any case.

The experimental work in the Science courses is somewhat hampered by the lack of a regular labaratory, which could be used exclusively as such at all times, but satisfactory labaratory work is being done in both Physics and Chemistry courses, nevertheless.

The heating plant of the building has proven its efficiency beyond the possibility of a doubt, and is now working very satisfactorily. A few accidents have occurred, from various causes, but the plant has unquestionably justified its installation.

The only important changes in the course of study from that of last year are the transfer of the Physiology course from the Juniors to the Seniors and the addition of the German course. This course is required of all Sophomores, and is open to members of the Junior and Senior classes, and has al-

ready proven of great interest and value to the students. This course will doubtless be continued next year, so that eventually we shall be able to offer a three years' course in German. This, with the two years' course in French already established, and the four years' course in Latin, will furnish ample preparation in the foreign languages for admission to any of the colleges.

The French, Latin and American History courses are this year given by Miss Goodspeed, the German, English and Ancient History by Miss Dyson, and the Science and Mathematics by Mr. Burt. Satisfactory progress has thus far been made in these several departments, and the interest shown by the pupils in all these courses has been keen.

A considerable amount of apparatus for the Science department has been purchased this year, and much demonstration and experimental work previously omitted has thereby been made possible. The interest shown in the Science courses, especially by the upper classmen, has been very gratifying, and this increase of interest has in a large measure been due to the improvement of facilities for demonstration and experimental work. At the present time we have sufficient apparatus for elementary courses in Science, but it is hoped that the supply may be added to from year to year.

The length of the periods this year is forty minutes, but although this is a considerable increase over the maximum length of period possible last year, it is found that they are still too short. In nearly every course, longer periods would be very desirable, and especially in the Mathematics and Science courses, but at present there seems to be no way of accomplishing this result.

Friday afternoon of each week is devoted to general exercises by the school, including Technical Grammar, a drill in commercial and practical Arithmetic, a Spelling match, and Rhetoricals, or a debate.

Much interest has been manifested in the debates, and some excellent work been done in preparation and delivery.



The topics chosen have been mainly those of particular interest to school children, although some questions of national importance have been discussed. The work in Technical Grammar has proven of great value, as has the Arithmetic review, since in each case the lack of sufficient previous training has been manifest.

The work in Arithmetic consists of drills in the primary processes, both mental and written work being included, interest, commercial paper of all kinds, measurement of lumber, carrying capacities of pipes, and the like. This work in Grammar and Arithmetic will continue through the major part of the year.

A period of 15 minutes each day is devoted to Spelling, with tests in word definitions several times a week, and the Spelling match on Friday serves as an oral review. The improvement shown in this department since the beginning of the year has been very considerable.

One recommendation I would make in regard to the equipment of the school. It is that another large cabinet, or several smaller ones, be placed in the laboratory for the storage of Science apparatus. The two cabinets now in use are taxed to their full capacity, and when more apparatus is added there will not be room for all. Even at the present time the apparatus on hand would make a much more effective appearance if twice as much space were available, and would remain in first class condition for a much longer time, as apparatus deteriorates very rapidly if it cannot be properly cared for. The cost for such an installation would not be great, and the increase in efficiency of the Science department and the better preservation of valuable apparatus which would result from such an addition would, in my opinion, justify the expenditure.

The school has suffered an irreparable loss in the death, on January 30th, 1912, of Lewis Dodge, a member of the Junior class. Pneumonia was the cause of his death, which came with a suddenness entirely unforeseen by most of his friends, and for which they were in no way prepared. The news of



his death, after an illness of less than a week, sent a shock through all the village, and the love and esteem in which he was held by all, and the sympathy felt for his family in their great bereavement, were made manifest by the great number of mourners who attended the funeral exercises.

He was a fine manly boy, cheerful, careful and painstaking in all his many duties, and one in praise of whom too much cannot be said. His teachers and schoolmates feel his loss with a sorrow second in degree only to that of his own family, and join in mourning with them for him who has gone.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER F. BURT, *Principal.*

February 10, 1912.

## Report of Teacher of Music.

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*To the Superintendent of Schools in Belchertown :*

I submit the following report of the music work in the center schools.

Notwithstanding the short session of school this year some signs of progress may be discovered.

Greater ability to read at sight, a more general knowledge of the theory of music and therefore more enjoyment of the singing period are a few of the encouraging signs.

Studies in Music, History and Biography will be added this year to the high school course.

The introduction of a new Song Book in the Grammar room containing four part music has greatly aroused the interest of the pupils and increased the ability to read a new song at sight.

One important aim of a music course is developing a taste for the best in music. Teach a child to love the songs of the great masters, and the desire for trash disappears.

A love for good music cannot fail to enoble the character and enrich the life of the individual, the church and the town.

I am glad of this opportunity to thank the Superintendent, Principal and teachers for their hearty co-operation in the work.

Respectfully,

LUCY A. GATCHELL.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

BELCHERTOWN, FEB. 1, 1912.

*To the School Superintendent:*

Of children examined, eight cases of adenoids and chronic hypertrophy of tonsils found, whose eight parents were notified. Parents should receive these notifications in a friendly spirit as they are for the good of the children and parents concerned. 60 per cent of all persons with these troubles have more or less ear trouble. Children who have them removed, progress more rapidly both mentally and physically.

JAMES L. COLLARD, *School Physician.*

## REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER.

BELCHERTOWN, FEB. 1, 1912.

*To the School Committee:*

I have received during the year, from the Supt. and teachers, 15 summons to attend to absentees from school. To all I have given prompt attention, and have seen that they have attended school.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Truant Officer.*



# Graduating Exercises

OF

# Belchertown High School

JUNE 22, 1911



8 P. M.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

## CLASS ODE

Dear schoolmates, as we meet here for parting,  
The ties of friendship formed must now divide,  
Now the past with all its work and play,  
Leaves but the priceless boon of memory.

Out on life's tide with hearts so brave and daring;  
Seeking success the goal of human strife;  
Let us command a true and honest calling;  
Loyal to our Alma Mater all our lives.

Dear classmates, as our future paths we enter,  
Gradus a gradu, let our motto be,  
Onward, upward, step by step we'll climb,  
Earnestly pursuing each endeavor.

*Marie Munson Davis,*

## PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL,  
PRAYER,

REV. M. H. FISHBURN

AMERICAN HYMN,

CHORUS

SALUTATORY, Between the Lights,  
DORIS SPELLMAN

HISTORY, Class of 1911,

MARY M. AUSTIN

WELCOME SWEET SPRING,

GIRLS' CHORUS

ORATION, Hammer it Out,

E. CLIFTON WITT, Jr.

PROPHECY, Twenty Years Hence,

SADIE B. DEMAREST

ESSAY, Here the Foothills, Yonder the Mountains,

A. ADELE RANSON

NANCY LEE,

BOYS' CHORUS

LEGACY, Last Gifts of Wit and Humor,

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

ODE, Courageously Onward,

MARIE M. DAVIS

VALEDICTORY, Negro Suffrage,

WILLIAM E. SHAW

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS,

MERRICK A. MORSE, Chairman of School Board

GRADUATION FAIRWELL,

CHORUS

*Miss Marion Ketchen,*

*Mrs. Lucy A. Gatchel,*

*Organis*

*Musical Director*

*Keller*

*Rubinstein*

*Adams*

*Tolanthe*

## GRADUATES

Mary Marguerite Austin

Annie Maud Austin

Francis Michael Austin

Ethel Corliss

Mae Edna Damon

Marie Munson Davis

Sadie Banta Demarest

Lucy Veronica Haniffin

Ruth Emma Jackson

Doris Spellman

Edgar Clifton Witt, Jr.

William Everett Shaw, President

Agnes Adele Ranson, Secretary

Raymond Cheney Gay, Treasurer

## MOTTO

*GRADUS A GRADU*

## SCHOOL RESOURCES.

|                                      |              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Balance, Feb. 1, 1911,               | \$ 1,667.78  |
| Appropriation, Mar. 1, 1911,         | 6,000.00     |
| Received from Bridgman fund,         | 242.40       |
| “ “ State School fund,               | 1,057.10     |
| “ “ State Superintendency fund,      | 900.00       |
| “ “ State wards' tuition,            | 379.75       |
| “ “ State Industrial School,         | 10.50        |
| Balance from Longley fund for music, | 81.49        |
|                                      | <hr/>        |
|                                      | \$ 10,339.02 |

## SCHOOL EXPENDITURES. \*

|                                           |              |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Teachers' wages from treasury,            | \$ 4,554.00  |
| Teachers' wages from Bridgman fund,       | 242.40       |
| Teachers' wages from Longley fund, music, | 75.00        |
| School supervision,                       | 1,055.00     |
| Books and supplies,                       | 494.39       |
| Fuel,                                     | 436.11       |
| Janitors and janitors' supplies,          | 115.79       |
| Transportation,                           | 433.90       |
| Miscellaneous,                            | 156.89       |
|                                           | <hr/>        |
|                                           | \$ 7,563.48  |
| *Unexpended balance,                      | 2,775.54     |
|                                           | <hr/>        |
|                                           | \$ 10,339.02 |

\*It was thought advisable to close the fiscal school year, Feb. 1, instead of the close of the Winter term. Had an amount been drawn to maintain the schools to the end of the present term, the balance would have been reduced about \$ 1,000.00.



## TOWN ACCOUNT.

|                               |           |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Balance, Mar. 1, 1911,        |           | \$ 17.24  |
| Appropriation, Mar. 1, 1911,  |           | 300.00    |
| Paid S. A. Hodgkins, labor,   | \$ 41.65  |           |
| C. D. Holden, supplies,       | 8.40      |           |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., supplies, | 1.06      |           |
| R. C. Capen, labor,           | 2.00      |           |
| D. Austin, labor,             | 3.40      |           |
| W. D. Dunbar, labor,          | 47.50     |           |
| D. L. Hazen, supplies,        | 56.82     |           |
| W. D. E. Morse, labor,        | 1.00      |           |
| Thomas Sullivan, labor,       | 1.00      |           |
| Henry Baggs, labor,           | 2.00      |           |
| Lewis Dodge, labor,           | 3.90      |           |
| E. F. Flaherty, labor,        | .75       |           |
| W. A. Sauer, supplies,        | 10.80     |           |
| Unexpended balance,           | 136.96    |           |
|                               | <hr/>     |           |
|                               | \$ 317.24 | \$ 317.24 |

## SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

## TEACHERS' WAGES.

|                     |           |
|---------------------|-----------|
| John V. Jewett,     | \$ 357.50 |
| Walter F. Burt,     | 400.00    |
| Helen J. Goodspeed, | 423.90    |
| Irma Dyson,         | 200.00    |
| Mary C. Silva,      | 137.00    |
| Katherine Sampson,  | 296.00    |
| S. Belle Snow,      | 250.00    |
| Emma Richardson,    | 130.00    |
| Bridget Fitzgerald, | 232.00    |
| Nellie L. Sullivan, | 275.00    |
| Nellie G. Shea,     | 261.00    |
| Roland Shaw,        | 165.00    |
| Clifton Witt,       | 42.00     |

|                   |           |             |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Agnes Dillon,     | \$ 266.00 |             |
| I. Louise Brown,  | 90.00     |             |
| May Horr,         | 153.00    |             |
| May Carmody,      | 153.00    |             |
| Elizabeth Doyle,  | 85.00     |             |
| Margaret Culley,  | 99.00     |             |
| Ella Moriarty,    | 162.00    |             |
| Libbie Gutberlet, | 165.00    |             |
| Edith Towne,      | 261.00    |             |
| Florence Gould,   | 192.00    |             |
| Luey A. Gatchell, | 75.00     |             |
|                   | <hr/>     | \$ 4,871.40 |

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#### JANITORS.

|                        |          |           |
|------------------------|----------|-----------|
| S. A. Hodgkins,        | \$ 50.00 |           |
| Lewis Dodge,           | 36.00    |           |
| Clifton Witt,          | .75      |           |
| Harry Paul,            | 1.70     |           |
| D. L. Hazen, supplies, | 27.34    |           |
|                        | <hr/>    | \$ 115.79 |

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#### TRANSPORTATION.

|                   |           |           |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| W. A. Kimball,    | \$ 204.90 |           |
| W. L. Clough,     | 168.00    |           |
| E. E. Gay,        | 50.00     |           |
| Benjamin Hubbard, | 11.00     |           |
|                   | <hr/>     | \$ 433.90 |

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#### SCHOOL SUPERVISION.

|                   |           |             |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Alvan R. Lewis,   | \$ 950.00 |             |
| M. A. Morse,      | 30.00     |             |
| Roswell Allen,    | 30.00     |             |
| R. E. Fairechild, | 25.00     |             |
| D. F. Shumway,    | 20.00     |             |
|                   | <hr/>     | \$ 1,055.00 |

## BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

|                          |           |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| E. E. Babb & Co.,        | \$ 210.93 |           |
| L. E. Knott,             | 125.56    |           |
| D. C. Heath,             | 30.43     |           |
| Funk & Wagnall,          | 7.45      |           |
| N. W. Farrar,            | 2.90      |           |
| Allyn & Bacon,           | 36.95     |           |
| Silver Burdette & Co.,   | 4.10      |           |
| C. C. Burchard & Co.,    | 10.85     |           |
| Houghton, Mifflin & Co., | 2.00      |           |
| Ginn & Co.,              | 52.02     |           |
| H. M. Wignal,            | 1.80      |           |
| S. Ward,                 | 1.00      |           |
| P. C. Hayden,            | 3.00      |           |
| American Crayon Co.,     | 5.40      |           |
|                          | <hr/>     | \$ 494.39 |

## FUEL.

|                     |          |           |
|---------------------|----------|-----------|
| J. Gardiner,        | \$ 11.00 |           |
| R. S. Hastings,     | 5.00     |           |
| W. A. Sauer,        | 30.00    |           |
| A. S. Lovett,       | 1.00     |           |
| E. A. Randall,      | 15.00    |           |
| M. W. Bardwell,     | 11.00    |           |
| C. W. Darling,      | 2.75     |           |
| E. F. Flaherty,     | 60.00    |           |
| Thomas Sullivan,    | 6.00     |           |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., | 206.20   |           |
| E. F. Shumway,      | 15.00    |           |
| G. S. Warner,       | 15.00    |           |
| E. R. Peeso,        | 31.16    |           |
| Pratt Bros.,        | 27.00    |           |
|                     | <hr/>    | \$ 436.11 |



## MISCELLANEOUS.

|                                                                 |         |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| W. F. Shaw, use of team,                                        | \$ 1.25 |           |
| H. A. Hopkins, ribbon for diplomas,                             | 2.60    |           |
| W. M. Welch, diplomas,                                          | 28.26   |           |
| D. L. Hazen, fire extinguishers,                                | 42.00   |           |
| Charles Austin, cleaning stovepipe,                             | 1.00    |           |
| Cong. Church Society, use of church,                            | 5.00    |           |
| H. C. Dodge, sanitary work,                                     | 5.00    |           |
| Lewis Dodge, tuning and repairing piano,                        | 5.00    |           |
| R. E. Fairchild, mats and traveling expenses,                   | 8.00    |           |
| Alvan R. Lewis, telephone, postage, traveling<br>expenses etc., | 15.23   |           |
| J. L. Collard, school physician,                                | 25.00   |           |
| L. H. Blackmer, printing,                                       | 11.10   |           |
| M. E. Crafts, cleaning,                                         | 3.00    |           |
| James Sullivan, sanitary work,                                  | 3.00    |           |
| Roswell Allen, miscellaneous expenses,                          | 4.00    |           |
|                                                                 | <hr/>   | \$ 159.44 |
| Roswell Allen, credited for old registers,                      |         | 2.55      |
|                                                                 |         | <hr/>     |
|                                                                 |         | \$ 156.89 |

## BRIDGMAN FUND.

|                                 |           |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Interest received,              |           | \$ 242.40 |
| Paid toward teachers' salaries, | \$ 242.40 |           |
|                                 | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |
|                                 | \$ 242.40 | \$ 242.40 |

## LONGLEY FUND.

|                                   |           |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Balance, Feb. 1, 1911,            |           | \$ 81.49  |
| Interest available, Feb. 1, 1912, |           | 80.80     |
| Paid for teaching music,          | \$ 75.00  |           |
| Balance, Feb. 1, 1912,            | 87.29     |           |
|                                   | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |
|                                   | \$ 162.29 | \$ 162.29 |

### APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED.

For support of schools, - to include teachers' wages, transportation, cost of fuel, books, supplies, and incidentals, salary of school committee, superintendent, truant officers and janitors, \$ 6,000.00

For repairs, \$ 50.00

|                   |   |                                                 |
|-------------------|---|-------------------------------------------------|
| ROSWELL ALLEN,    | } | <i>School Committee<br/>of<br/>Belchertown.</i> |
| MERRICK A. MORSE, |   |                                                 |
| R. E. FAIRCHILD,  |   |                                                 |

### SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE,

For year ending June 30, 1911.

| SCHOOLS                   | Whole Number. | No. enrolled. | No. over 15. | No. between 5 and 15. | No. between 7 and 14. | Fall.       |             | Winter.     |             | Spring      |             |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                           |               |               |              |                       |                       | Membership. | Attendance. | Membership. | Attendance. | Membership. | Attendance. |
| High. ....                | 72            | 72            | 40           | 32                    | 16                    | 67          | 64          | 64          | 58          | 61          | 52          |
| Center Grammar. ....      | 43            | 35            | 3            | 32                    | 29                    | 27          | 26          | 28          | 27          | 28          | 25          |
| Center Intermediate... .. | 39            | 38            | 0            | 38                    | 37                    | 36          | 34          | 36          | 34          | 38          | 35          |
| Center Primary. ....      | 50            | 46            | 0            | 46                    | 35                    | 41          | 38          | 41          | 34          | 42          | 37          |
| Cold Spring. ....         | 9             | 9             | 0            | 9                     | 7                     | 9           | 8           | 9           | 8           | 9           | 8           |
| Franklin Grammar. ....    | 28            | 28            | 0            | 28                    | 22                    | 27          | 26          | 25          | 24          | 23          | 22          |
| Franklin Primary. ....    | 48            | 43            | 0            | 43                    | 43                    | 43          | 41          | 41          | 40          | 38          | 36          |
| Liberty. ....             | 37            | 36            | 0            | 36                    | 31                    | 33          | 31          | 32          | 30          | 32          | 31          |
| Washington. ....          | 28            | 23            | 0            | 23                    | 18                    | 22          | 21          | 23          | 18          | 22          | 19          |
| Rock Rimmon. ....         |               |               |              |                       |                       |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Chestnut Hill. ....       | 27            | 21            | 1            | 20                    | 15                    | 16          | 15          | 17          | 15          | 20          | 19          |
| Holyoke. ....             |               |               |              |                       |                       |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Federal. ....             | 33            | 24            | 0            | 24                    | 17                    | 25          | 23          | 22          | 19          | 17          | 16          |
| Lake Vale. ....           | 22            | 2             | 0            | 2                     | 0                     |             |             | 15          | 14          | 14          | 13          |
| Union. ....               | 24            | 22            | 0            | 22                    | 22                    | 17          | 14          | 15          | 12          | 15          | 13          |
| West Hill. ....           | 11            | 9             | 0            | 9                     | 9                     | 8           | 7           | 8           | 7           | 7           | 6           |
| East Hill. ....           |               |               |              |                       |                       |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Laurel. ....              |               |               |              |                       |                       |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Blue Meadow. ....         | 13            | 11            | 1            | 10                    | 5                     | 11          | 10          | 10          | 8           | 6           | 6           |
|                           | 484           | 419           | 45           | 374                   | 306                   | 382         | 358         | 386         | 348         | 372         | 328         |

## Roll of Honor.

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### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE ONE YEAR.

|                  |                   |
|------------------|-------------------|
| Henry Rhys,      | Luella Bardwell,  |
| Julia Cavanaugh, | Catherine Austin. |
| Wilfred Noel,    |                   |

### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE TWO TERMS.

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Mary Krul,          | Leona Farley,    |
| Patrick Landers,    | Edward Rys,      |
| Irvin Shea,         | Margaret Shea,   |
| Maurice Fitzgerald, | Esther Jackson,  |
| Edgar Shumway,      | Waring Randall,  |
| Bernard Keyes,      | Lucy Warner,     |
| Albert Kulic,       | Fred Quinn,      |
| Helen Rys,          | Bertha Cook,     |
| Francis Shea,       | Robert Goyette,  |
| Agnes Hanifin,      | Lewis Thayer,    |
| Edward Isaac,       | Hattie Cook,     |
| William Austin,     | Florence Clough, |
| Peter Wludyka,      | Belding Jackson. |

### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE ONE TERM.

|                    |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Helen Austin,      | Josephine Cavanaugh, |
| Daniel McDonnell,  | Irene Hanifin,       |
| Maurice O'Donnell, | Georgia Marsh,       |
| Amerigo Tarante,   | Weston Shumway,      |
| Walter Dodge,      | Bertha Eaton,        |



Catherine McKillop,  
 Edna Peeso,  
 Chester Cook,  
 Blake Jackson,  
 William Bridgman,  
 Susie Squires,  
 Mildred Terwilliger,  
 Florence Robinson,  
 George Lacey,  
 Ralph Nichols,  
 Lucy Bowler,  
 James Aldrich,  
 Robert Dunbar,  
 Gertrude Burns,  
 Celinda Clough,  
 Randolph Sparrell,  
 Gertrude Riley,  
 Rose McKillop,  
 Louise Davis,  
 Lucy Flint,  
 Harold Davis,  
 Hattie Wood,  
 John Fitzgerald,  
 Edward Kulic,  
 Michael Topor,  
 Anna Topor,  
 Louis Watson,  
 Catherine Garvey,  
 Lerion Fay,  
 Rose Marsh,  
 Emma Stadler,  
 Olive Isaac,  
 Charles Jobloski,  
 Bertha LaBida,  
 Amelia Patruski,  
 Harold Allen,

Ruth Jackson,  
 Walter Cook,  
 Beatrice Squires,  
 Lillian Austin,  
 Howard Estey,  
 Maria Baggs,  
 Ethel Dewey,  
 Irene Orlando,  
 Harry Burgess,  
 Willie Engleman,  
 Elizabeth Fitzgerald,  
 Maude LaCross,  
 May LaCross,  
 Anna Shea,  
 May Sullivan,  
 Helen Sufnaski,  
 Elizabeth Wood,  
 Anna Coleman,  
 William Shaw,  
 Edith Thayer,  
 Carlton White,  
 Charles Glover,  
 Celia Blackmer,  
 John Jackson,  
 Laura Terwilliger,  
 Raymond Farley,  
 George Lonzo,  
 Violet Canterbury,  
 Joseph Rys,  
 Jennie Wludyka,  
 Theodore Firth,  
 Roseline Wood,  
 Daniel Coleman,  
 Minnie Stadler,  
 Agnes Thayer.

# Town Warrant.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,  
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections, and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday the fourth day of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

ART. 3. To choose the following named town officers: A Town Clerk, three Selectmen, a Treasurer, an Auditor, five Constables, a Tax Collector, all for one year; One School Committee for three years, and one Burial Ground Commissioner for three years, one Assessor for three years; also to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town, vote "yes" or "no," all on one ballot in accordance with the Australian ballot system, adopted by the town, November 4, 1890.

ART. 4. To choose the following named town officers by nomination: One Tree Warden, three Fence Viewers, eight Measurers of Wood, eight Surveyors of Lumber, six Field Drivers, two Almoners of the Whiting Street Fund, and Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Fund, all for one year, and one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

ART. 5. To raise money for the support of schools, to include the cost of fuel, school books, and other supplies, and transportation, also salaries of teachers, School Committee, Superintendent, Truant Officers, Janitors and incidentals. 6000.

ART. 6. To raise money for the repair of school-houses. 50, 50

ART. 7. To raise money to defray pauper expenses. 900 900

ART. 8. To raise money to defray town expenses. 2000 2000

ART. 9. To raise money to repair highways and bridges and to take such action as the town shall deem best. 2000

ART. 10. To see if the town will vote to pay for the bonds of the Treasurer. 20.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to pay for the bonds, stationery and postage of the Tax Collector, in addition to his salary of one hundred dollars. 35.

ART. 12. To see what action the town will take in regard to the use and care of the town house. 72

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise money to defray the expense of lighting the streets for the year ensuing, and act thereon. 37

ART. 14. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the taxes of the municipal year beginning Feb. 1, 1912, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 18,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year. 2

ART. 15. To see if the town will authorize its collector to use all the means for collecting taxes, that a town treasurer may use when appointed collector. 9

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to fix the time when all taxes must be paid, also to see if the town will allow a discount on all taxes paid on, or before, a certain date, or dates, and act thereon. 30 22

ART. 17. To see if the town will employ a person to ring the



bell and care for the town clock, and act thereon. *W C*

ART. 18. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee of three, to be known as the committee on appropriations, who shall carefully investigate, and report to the next annual meeting the amounts needed in the several departments to be expended the ensuing year.

ART. 19. To see if the town will raise money to defray the expense of mowing, fencing and keeping in repair the several burying grounds, and act thereon. *85-*

ART. 20. To raise the sum of \$ 1500.00 to meet a note due at Amherst Saving Bank, Jan. 26, 1913. *J*

ART. 21. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 400.00 to pay discount on notes. *J*

ART. 22. To see if the town will raise a sum of money to aid in the suppression of the brown tail moth as required by Chapter 381, Acts of 1905, and amendments thereto. *200*

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to secure the publication of the Historical address of Rev. Payson W. Lyman at the 150th anniversary of the incorporation of the town in 1911, and raise and appropriate money for the same, by request of Samuel Allen. *25.*

ART. 24. To hear the report of any committee or committees, whose duty it may be to report at this meeting.

ART. 25. To hear the report of the Selectmen on guide-boards.

ART. 26. To see if the town will raise a sufficient sum of money to meet the expense of painting the town hall, and town farm building, and make other necessary repairs. *250.*

ART. 27. To see if the town will vote to build or construct a road from Depot street to the road leading to John Austin's, a distance of sixty rods, starting at a point on said Depot street west of Daniel Shea's house and terminating at what is known as the golf ground gate, and raise money for the same, agreeable to a petition of Daniel Shea and fifteen others. *150.*

ART. 28. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 150.00 for spraying trees on the park and Main streets, and cover the same ground as last year. *200.*

ART. 29. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 200.00

to purchase more extinguishers and other supplies for fighting forest fires.

ART. 30. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$ 50.00 for the use of Post 97, G. A. R., for Memorial day exercises.

ART. 31. To see if the town will construct a concrete sidewalk, beginning at a point near the northwesterly corner of the Highland lot, so called, there connecting with the present concrete walk, thence continuing easterly on the southerly side of Jabish street to a point opposite the Belchertown creamery; also to see if the town will reappropriate the unexpended sum raised under article 24 of the warrant for the annual town meeting of March 7th, 1910, for the above purpose, and raise and appropriate an additional sum sufficient to construct the walk, agreeable to a petition of M. C. Baggs and 15 others.

ART. 32. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 1,000.00 to meet expenses in excess of appropriations not previously provided for in 1911, or take any action thereon that the town may deem best.

ART. 33. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Polls to be opened at 10.30 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 3 o'clock P. M., unless otherwise ordered by vote of the town.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight, and one at Tylerville, seven days before the time of holding the aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-third day of February A. D. 1912.

|                |   |                     |
|----------------|---|---------------------|
| E. R. PEESO,   | } | <i>Selectmen</i>    |
| A. C. SMITH,   |   | <i>of</i>           |
| E. A. RANDALL, |   | <i>Belchertown.</i> |













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# Minutes of Town Meeting, held

## March 4, 1912.

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Meeting called to order at 10-30 o'clock by Town Clerk Arthur Bridgman who read the warrant and then called for action under article one.

### ARTICLE 1.

Moderator chosen, G. H. B. Green.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. T. Hale. Then voted to take up article 3rd.

### ARTICLE 3.

Ballot Clerk, Tellers, and Counters sworn, ballots delivered to Ballot clerks, and receipt taken. Keys to ballot box delivered to Guy C. Allen Jr., ballot box opened and found empty, polls opened at 10-45 o'clock.

Ballot clerks, M. E. Williams and Frank Austin.

Tellers, E. L. Schmidt and Roy Aldrich.

Gate keepers, H. M. Aldrich and E. E. Stebbins.

Counters, M. P. Bowler, M. G. Ward, M. A. Shaw and H. F. Shaw.

### ARTICLE 2.

Voted to waive the reading of all reports and then voted to accept them in their regular order.

## ARTICLE 4.

Tree Warden, James A. Peeso.

Fence Viewers; A. L. Pratt, H. M. Jepson and W. M. Goodell.

8 Measurers of Wood.

Guy C. Allen Jr.,  
James A. Peeso,  
E. A. R. Fairchild,  
Lyman Randolph,  
W. M. Goodell,  
E. A. Fuller,  
M. A. Shaw,  
E. F. Shumway.

8 Surveyors of Lumber.

E. F. Flaherty,  
E. E. Snow,  
Philip Dodge,  
James A. Peeso,  
Edward R. Peeso,  
Fred Fuller,  
H. S. Pratt,  
H. H. Barrett.

6 Field Drivers,

W. S. Piper,  
H. W. Conkey,  
Austin Kimball,  
E. F. Shumway,  
Ashley Randall,  
Michael Cavin.

2 Almoners Whiting Street &  
Mrs. S. M. D. Bridgman Fund.

Mrs. M. A. Morse,  
Mrs. M. G. Ward.

Trustee for Calvin Bridgman  
Fund,  
Myron S. Barton.

And then voted to take up article 27th.

## ARTICLE 27.

Part 1. Voted to build a road from Depot street to the road leading to John Austin's, a distance of sixty rods, starting at a point on said Depot street west of Daniel Shea's house, and terminating at what is known as the golf ground gate.

Part 2. To indefinitely postpone action on amount of cost.

## ARTICLE 5.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 6000.00 for schools.

## ARTICLE 6.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 50.00 for repair of school houses.

## ARTICLE 7.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 900.00 for pauper expenses.

## ARTICLE 8.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 2,000.00 for town expenses.

## ARTICLE 9.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 3,000.00 for highways and bridges under article 9 and 27.

## ARTICLE 10.

Voted to pay for treasurer's bond.

## ARTICLE 11.

Voted to pay the sum of \$ 35.00 for bond, stationery and postage of the tax collector.

## ARTICLE 12.

Voted to leave the care of the town house with the Selectmen.

## ARTICLE 13.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 375.00 for lighting streets for the year ensuing.

## ARTICLE 14.

Voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the taxes of the municipal year beginning Feb. 1, 1912, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 18,000.00, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the taxes of said municipal year.

## ARTICLE 15.

Voted to authorize the Tax Collector to use all the means for collecting taxes that a town treasurer may use when appointed collector.

## ARTICLE 16.

Voted that a discount of 2 per cent be allowed on all taxes paid on or before Oct. 1st., 1 per cent before Nov. 1st., and interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum be charged on all taxes after Dec. 1, 1912.

## ARTICLE 17.

Voted that the care of the town clock be left with the Selectmen.

Voted to take up article 31st., and voted to keep the polls opened until 4 o'clock.



## ARTICLE 31.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 300.00 for concrete sidewalk beginning at a point near the northwesterly corner of the Highland lot ( so called ) then connecting with the present concrete walk, thence continuing easterly on the southeasterly side of Jabish street to a point opposite the Belchertown Creamery.

## ARTICLE 18.

Voted that a committee of three be appointed by the chair to be known as the committee on appropriation, who shall carefully investigate and report to the next annual meeting the amounts needed in the several departments to be expended the ensuing year, and the following were appointed, D. F. Shumway, W. M. Goodell and A. C. Smith.

## ARTICLE 19.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 75.00 to defray the expense of mowing, fencing and keeping in repair the several burying grounds, and \$ 10.00 for mowing the grass on the Park.

## ARTICLE 20.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 1,500.00 to pay note due January 26, 1913, at the Amherst Savings Bank.

## ARTICLE 21.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 400.00 to pay discount on note.

## ARTICLE 22.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 300.00 to aid in the suppression of the brown tail moth.

## ARTICLE 23.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 25.00 to secure the publication of the Historical address of Rev. Payson W. Lyman at the 150th. anniversary of the incorporation of the town in 1911, and the following committee were chosen, Rev. W. T. Hale and Rev. E. P. Kelly.

## ARTICLE 24.

No committee had any report to make.

## ARTICLE 25.

The selectmen had no report to make on guide boards.

## ARTICLE 26.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 250.00 for painting the town hall and the town farm buildings.

## ARTICLE 28.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 150.00 for spraying trees on the Park and Main street and cover the same ground as last year.

## ARTICLE 29.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 200.00 to purchase more extinguishers and other supplies for fighting forest fires.

## ARTICLE 30.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 50.00 for the use of Post No. 97, G. A. R. for Memorial day exercises.

## ARTICLE 32.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 1,000.00 to meet expenses in excess of appropriations not previously provided for in 1911.

## ARTICLE 33.

Voted that the selectmen be instructed to sell whole or part of wood lot known as the turkey hill lot if in their judgment advisable, to be sold at public auction to the highest bidder.

## ARTICLE 3.

At 8 o'clock the counting of the ballot being completed, the moderator announced the result as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, males 343, females 5.

## TOWN CLERK.

Arthur Bridgman, 277 votes, blanks 66.

## SELECTMEN.

|                             |                                 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Myron S. Barton, 183 votes, | Frederick M. Fuller, 237 votes, |
| John Garvey, 222 "          | Edward R. Peeso, 186 "          |
| E. F. Shumway, 2 "          | Blanks, 199.                    |

## TREASURER.

Arthur Bridgman, 289 votes, blanks 54.

## AUDITOR.

George F. Lincoln, 254 votes, blanks 89.

## CONSTABLES.

|                     |            |                    |            |
|---------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|
| Daniel F. Austin,   | 148 votes, | Michael F. Austin, | 157 votes, |
| Myron S. Barton,    | 175 votes, | John Garvey, 2nd.  | 120 votes, |
| Eugene F. Flaherty, | 146 votes, | John P. Madigan,   | 50 votes,  |
| Homer S. Pratt,     | 174 votes, | James A. Peeso,    | 119 votes, |
| Edwin F. Shumway,   | 122 votes, | Blanks,            | 504.       |

## TAX COLLECTOR.

|                    |            |                   |            |
|--------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| Dwight F. Shumway, | 148 votes, | George S. Warner, | 173 votes, |
|                    |            | Blanks,           | 22.        |

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

|                |            |                   |            |
|----------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| James S. Peck, | 190 votes, | Andrew J. Sayers, | 112 votes, |
| M. A. Morse,   | 1 vote,    | Blanks            | 45.        |

## ASSESSOR for 3 years.

|                 |            |                     |            |
|-----------------|------------|---------------------|------------|
| Frank B. Alden, | 171 votes, | Eugene F. Flaherty, | 136 votes, |
|                 |            | Blanks              | 36.        |

## Warrant for Special Town Meeting.

May 2, 1912.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,  
in said County,*

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Belchertown, on Wednesday the twenty-second day of May next, at two o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.



ART. 2. To see if the town will vote to enter into a contract with the Belchertown Electric Company for lighting the streets and appropriate money for the same, or take any action that the town may deem best.

ART. 3. To transact any other business that may come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight, and one at Tylerville seven days before the time of holding the aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this eleventh day of May A. D. 1912.

|               |   |                                      |
|---------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| E. R. PEESO,  | } | <i>Selectmen of<br/>Belchertown.</i> |
| F. M. FULLER, |   |                                      |

By virtue of this warrant I have posted attested copies thereof at the places designated, seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

M. S. BARTON, *Constable.*

#### DOINGS ON THE WARRANT.

Meeting called to order at 2.15 o'clock by Town Clerk, Arthur Bridgman, who read the warrant and then called for action under article one.

##### ARTICLE 1.

Moderator chosen, E. R. Peeso.

##### ARTICLE 2.

Voted to install Forty ( 40 ) electric lights at seventeen dollars and fifty cents ( \$ 17.50 ) per light and to appropriate the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars ( \$ 350.00 )

##### ARTICLE 3.

No other business coming before said meeting, voted at 2.45 o'clock to adjourn without date.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk.*

# Report of Town Clerk.

*For the year ending Dec. 31, 1912.*

## STATISTICS OF

### BIRTHS.

|            |   |        |   |              |   |           |   |
|------------|---|--------|---|--------------|---|-----------|---|
| January,   | 3 | April, | 4 | July,        | 5 | October,  | 7 |
| February,  | 5 | May,   | 2 | August,      | 2 | November, | 1 |
| March,     | 3 | June,  | 2 | Sept.        | 2 | December, | 2 |
| Males, 18; |   |        |   | Females, 20. |   |           |   |

### RETURN OF BIRTHS.

|                    |    |                   |   |                 |   |
|--------------------|----|-------------------|---|-----------------|---|
| Dr. J. L. Collard, | 14 | Dr. C. H. Giroux, | 7 | Dr. L. F. Lake, | 9 |
| Dr. W. B. Segur,   | 2  | Frank Beauregard, | 1 | Dr. Dunphy,     | 2 |
| Newell,            | 1  | Dr. Cheney,       | 1 | Dr. Smith,      | 1 |

### MARRIAGES.

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Number of intentions recorded,      | 14 |
| Number of marriages recorded,       | 14 |
| First marriage, Males, 12; Females, | 12 |
| Second marriage, Males, 2; Females, | 1  |
| Third marriage, Males, 0; Females,  | 1  |
| Youngest male married, 21 Females,  | 19 |
| Oldest male married, 69 Females,    | 48 |

## DEATHS.

|                            |          |              |             |
|----------------------------|----------|--------------|-------------|
| January, 5                 | April, 2 | July, 2      | October, 0  |
| February, 7                | May, 5   | August, 3    | November, 2 |
| March, 4                   | June, 1  | Sept. 4      | December, 3 |
| Males, 25 ;                |          | Females, 13. |             |
| Native born, 33 ;          |          | Foreign, 5.  |             |
| Number of town meetings,   |          |              | 5           |
| Mortgages and attachments, |          |              | 13          |

## DOG LICENSE.

|                         |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Males, 191, at \$ 2.00, | \$ 382.00       |
| Females, 10, at 5.00,   | 50.00           |
|                         | <hr/> \$ 432.00 |

Paid the above ( less fees ) to county treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk.*



## Assessors' Report.

|                               |                    |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Valuation of real estate,     | \$ 766,025.00      |
| Valuation of personal estate, | 167,740.00         |
|                               | <hr/> \$933,765.00 |

### RATE OF TAXATION, 20.40 PER THOUSAND.

|                         |                    |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Tax on real estate,     | \$ 15,626.91       |
| Tax on personal estate, | 3,421.89           |
| Tax on polls,           | 1,124.00           |
|                         | <hr/> \$ 20,172.80 |

### WE HAVE ASSESSED THE TAX AS FOLLOWS:

|                                      |                    |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| To town, school, and other expenses, | \$ 16,585.00       |
| State tax,                           | 1,687.50           |
| State highway tax,                   | 117.50             |
| County tax,                          | 1,398.67           |
| Overlayings,                         | 384.13             |
|                                      | <hr/> \$ 20,172.80 |

|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Added assessments,                  | \$ 16.32 |
| Residents assessed on property,     | 524      |
| Non-residents assessed on property, | 144      |
| For poll tax only,                  | 194      |
| Number of acres of land assessed,   | 31,970   |
| Horses,                             | 507      |
| Cows,                               | 1,242    |
| Sheep,                              | 31       |
| Neat cattle, other than cows,       | 377      |
| Swine,                              | 140      |
| Fowls,                              | 4,705    |
| Number of dwelling houses assessed, | 507      |

|               |   |              |
|---------------|---|--------------|
| A. L. PRATT,  | } | Assessors    |
| F. M. FULLER, | } | of           |
| F. B. ALDEN,  | } | Belchertown. |

## Collector's Report.

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|                                                                                              |              |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| The amount committed to your Collector as per<br>Assessors' warrant dated Aug. 15, 1912,     | \$ 20,172.80 |
| Amount of added assessments,                                                                 | 6.00         |
| Interest collected on taxes from Dec. 1, 1912,<br>to Feb. 1, 1913, as per vote of the town,  | 11.91        |
| Total,                                                                                       | \$ 20,190.71 |
| He has collected and paid to the Treasurer,                                                  | \$ 16,637.18 |
| He has allowed a discount to tax payers accord-<br>ing to the vote of the town, amounting to | 207.01       |
|                                                                                              | \$ 16,844.19 |
| Balance in Collector's hands,                                                                | \$ 3,346.52  |

GEORGE S. WARNER, *Collector.*

Audited Feb. 17, 1913, G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor.*

## Cemetery Account.

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|                                                                               |             |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Received for perpetual care of lots in Mt.<br>Hope cemetery previous to 1912, | \$ 3,756.57 |             |
| Received from W. Stebbins for care of<br>Lake Vale Cemetery,                  | 100.00      |             |
| Received in 1912 from P. W. Lyman for<br>care of Root lots,                   | 75.00       |             |
| Received from Mrs. Shattuck for care of<br>Bugbee lot,                        | 50.00       |             |
|                                                                               | <hr/>       | \$ 3,981.57 |
| Interest on amount in Amherst Bank,                                           | \$ 176.06   |             |
| Balance in Treasury, Feb. 1, 1912,                                            | 72.25       |             |
| Appropriation,                                                                | 50.00       |             |
|                                                                               | <hr/>       | \$ 298.31   |

### A. H. HUBBARD'S ACCOUNT.

|                                                                                           |           |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| To mowing lots and avenues, filling graves, and<br>resetting stones in Mt. Hope cemetery, | \$ 145.00 |           |
| To mowing South cemetery,                                                                 | 10.00     |           |
| To mowing Blue Meadow cemetery,                                                           | 1.00      |           |
| Fertilizer,                                                                               | 2.90      |           |
|                                                                                           | <hr/>     | \$ 158.90 |
| Paid Geo. W. Howe for cleaning monument<br>in Calvin Bridgman lot,                        |           | \$ 25.00  |



## ROY G. SHAW'S ACCOUNT.

|                                                                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| To mowing Liberty, Holyoke, and Tylerville cemeteries, and burning brush on same, | \$ 15.00 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|

## HOMER PRATT'S ACCOUNT.

|                                                       |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| To mowing Union, West Hill, and Lake Vale cemeteries, | \$ 10.00 |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|

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|           |
|-----------|
| \$ 208.90 |
|-----------|

|                                    |          |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance in Treasury, Feb. 1, 1913, | \$ 89.41 |
|------------------------------------|----------|

We would recommend an appropriation of  
one hundred dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

|                |   |                                             |
|----------------|---|---------------------------------------------|
| A. H. HUBBARD, | } | <i>Burial<br/>Ground<br/>Commissioners.</i> |
| HOMER PRATT,   |   |                                             |
| ROY G. SHAW,   |   |                                             |

## Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures.

|                                                        | Sealed | Condemned |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| Number of platform scales sealed over 5000 lbs.,       | 6      |           |
| Number under 5000 lbs.,                                | 22     |           |
| Number condemned,                                      |        | 1         |
| Number of computing scales sealed,                     | 2      |           |
| Number condemned,                                      |        | 1         |
| Number of all other scales sealed,                     | 44     |           |
| Number condemned,                                      |        | 8         |
| Number of weights adjusted,                            | 9      |           |
| Number of weights sealed,                              | 154    |           |
| Number of dry measures sealed,                         | 2      |           |
| Number of liquid measures sealed other than milk jars, | 43     |           |
| Number of linear measures sealed,                      | 9      |           |
| Adjusting charges,                                     |        | \$ .50    |
| Sealing fees,                                          |        | 27.00     |
|                                                        |        | <hr/>     |
| Total amount paid treasurer,                           |        | \$ 27.50  |
| Received for services as sealer,                       |        | \$ 40.00  |

MYRON A. SHAW, *Sealer.*

# Report of Supt. of Highways.

*For the fiscal year ending Feb. 1, 1913.*

## DISTRICT NO. 1.

|                   |           |           |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Paid J. A. Peeso, | \$ 225.73 |           |
| Wm. Lowell,       | 33.34     |           |
| Geo. Harvey,      | 42.78     |           |
| A. J. Rowe,       | 26.25     |           |
| H. Tenney,        | 30.00     |           |
| E. A. Atwood,     | 2.26      |           |
| Gene Dick,        | 5.25      |           |
| John Woods,       | 13.75     |           |
| Peter Pierce,     | .88       |           |
|                   | <hr/>     | \$ 380.24 |

## DISTRICT NO. 2.

|                   |          |           |
|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid J. A. Peeso, | \$ 85.00 |           |
| H. L. Tenney,     | 10.50    |           |
| Geo. Harvey,      | 8.75     |           |
| Wm. Lowell,       | 14.00    |           |
| A. J. Rowe,       | 8.75     |           |
| John Woods,       | 12.25    |           |
| Peter Pierce,     | 1.75     |           |
| Rufus Pierce,     | 1.75     |           |
|                   | <hr/>    | \$ 142.75 |



## DISTRICT NO. 3.

|                     |          |          |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid A. L. Kimball, | \$ 88.60 |          |
| A. T. Pike,         | 6.00     |          |
| Geo. Hussey,        | 4.50     |          |
|                     | <hr/>    | \$ 99.10 |

## DISTRICT NO. 4.

|                   |          |          |
|-------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid J. A. Peeso, | \$ 38.00 |          |
| H. L. Tenney,     | 2.75     |          |
| Wm. Lowell,       | 5.25     |          |
| A. J. Rowe,       | 3.50     |          |
| John Woods,       | 5.25     |          |
| Harry Dodge,      | 4.50     |          |
| George Harvey,    | 3.50     |          |
| A. Lovett,        | 2.44     |          |
| A. L. Kimball,    | 23.00    |          |
| A. T. Pike,       | 4.50     |          |
| George Hussey,    | 4.50     |          |
|                   | <hr/>    | \$ 97.19 |

## DISTRICTS NO. 5, 7, 8, 9.

|                               |           |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Paid H. H. Witt,              | \$ 121.30 |           |
| E. C. Witt,                   | 49.50     |           |
| Clifton Witt,                 | 7.00      |           |
| Peter Pierce,                 | 48.75     |           |
| Rufus Pierce,                 | 37.75     |           |
| Guerdon Plackett,             | 1.25      |           |
| H. L. Tenney,                 | 3.75      |           |
| W. L. Clough,                 | 1.00      |           |
| Geo. W. Akers, dist. 5, 6, 7. | 32.50     |           |
| Frank Wilson,                 | 9.63      |           |
| William Lowell,               | 1.75      |           |
| J. A. Peeso, dist. 5,         | 8.25      |           |
| E. A. Atwood, dist. 5,        | 1.75      |           |
| J. A. Peeso, dist. 7,         | 6.00      |           |
| Frank Peeso,                  | .88       |           |
| Wm. Shaw,                     | .88       |           |
| A. Blackmer,                  | .88       |           |
|                               | <hr/>     | \$ 332.82 |

## DISTRICT NO. 6.

|                   |           |           |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Paid J. A. Peeso, | \$ 116.75 |           |
| Harry Dodge,      | 25.75     |           |
| John Woods,       | 12.25     |           |
| Wm. Lowell,       | 15.75     |           |
| George Harvey,    | 8.75      |           |
| H. L. Tenney,     | 3.50      |           |
| Gene Dick,        | 1.75      |           |
|                   | <hr/>     | \$ 184.50 |

## DISTRICT NO. 10.

|                   |          |           |
|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid W. A. Sauer, | \$ 97.65 |           |
| H. H. Witt,       | 49.50    |           |
| Wm. Holcomb,      | 31.35    |           |
| John Woods,       | 10.50    |           |
| Fred Randolph,    | 11.25    |           |
| Peter Pierce,     | 3.50     |           |
| Pat Landers,      | 3.50     |           |
| Geo. Dwight,      | 3.50     |           |
| Louis Vorce,      | 3.50     |           |
| Miss Miller,      | 3.50     |           |
| J. A. Peeso,      | 23.75    |           |
| Geo. Harvey,      | 1.75     |           |
| E. A. Atwood,     | 1.75     |           |
| A. J. Rowe,       | 3.50     |           |
| H. L. Tenney,     | 1.75     |           |
| Gene Dick,        | 3.50     |           |
|                   | <hr/>    | \$ 253.75 |

## DISTRICT NO. 11.

|                   |           |  |
|-------------------|-----------|--|
| Paid J. A. Peeso, | \$ 225.00 |  |
| Jas. Moriarty,    | 48.00     |  |
| H. Tenney,        | 27.30     |  |
| Geo. Harvey,      | 30.73     |  |
| Tom Austin,       | 14.05     |  |
| E. A. Atwood,     | .88       |  |
| Wm. Lowell,       | 26.45     |  |
| A. J. Rowe,       | 17.50     |  |

|                  |           |
|------------------|-----------|
| Paid John Woods, | \$ 15.75  |
| Gene Dick,       | 3.50      |
| W. A. Sauer,     | 18.00     |
| Wm. Holcomb,     | 3.25      |
| Fred Randolph,   | 9.50      |
| Peter Hanifin,   | 47.63     |
|                  | <hr/>     |
|                  | \$ 487.54 |

## DISTRICT NO. 12.

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Paid James F. Moriarty, | \$ 70.29  |
| Maurice Moriarty,       | 84.49     |
| Thos. Austin,           | 10.54     |
| Joseph Reif,            | 18.84     |
| Frank Sullivan,         | 27.00     |
| James Sullivan,         | 9.38      |
| John Sullivan,          | 5.50      |
| Michael Garvey,         | 3.12      |
| John B. Shea,           | 3.12      |
| A. J. Rowe,             | 3.50      |
| J. A. Peeso,            | 10.00     |
|                         | <hr/>     |
|                         | \$ 245.78 |

## DISTRICT NO. 13.

|                       |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Paid M. E. Cavanaugh, | \$ 140.50 |
| Frank Mills,          | 24.50     |
| Frances Austin,       | 18.75     |
| P. Cavanaugh,         | 7.00      |
| Thos. Spellman,       | 4.00      |
|                       | <hr/>     |
|                       | \$ 194.75 |

## DISTRICT NO. 14.

|                                   |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid Patrick Moriarty, and teams, | \$ 120.99 |
| J. A. Peeso, and teams,           | 145.50    |
| A. J. Rowe,                       | 26.25     |
| Wm. Lowell,                       | 8.75      |
| Geo. Harvey,                      | 24.50     |
| John Woods,                       | 8.75      |
| H. L. Tenney,                     | 19.75     |
| M. E. Cavanaugh,                  | 13.50     |
| Gene Dick,                        | 17.50     |
| Harry Dodge,                      | 9.00      |
| W. D. Spears,                     | 3.25      |
|                                   | <hr/>     |
|                                   | \$ 397.74 |



## DISTRICT NO. 15.

|                   |          |           |
|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid Thomas Cody, | \$ 41.85 |           |
| Felix Bryan,      | 10.50    |           |
| John Ahearn,      | 6.16     |           |
| C. L. Mills,      | 1.00     |           |
| J. F. Geer,       | 1.00     |           |
| J. A. Peeso,      | 93.50    |           |
| M. E. Cavanaugh,  | 60.75    |           |
| A. J. Rowe,       | 15.75    |           |
| Wm. Lowell,       | 15.75    |           |
| Geo. Harvey,      | 15.75    |           |
| John Woods,       | 15.75    |           |
| H. Tenney,        | 17.75    |           |
|                   | <hr/>    | \$ 295.51 |

## DISTRICTS 16, 17, 18.

|                       |           |  |
|-----------------------|-----------|--|
| Paid E. F. Shumway,   | \$ 213.28 |  |
| Jason Hurlburt,       | 3.50      |  |
| Robert Baggs,         | 3.50      |  |
| Henry Baggs,          | 7.00      |  |
| J. A. Peeso, dis. 16, | 21.50     |  |
| H. Tenney,            | 3.50      |  |
| Wm. Lowell,           | 3.50      |  |
| A. J. Rowe,           | 1.75      |  |
| Geo. Harvey,          | 3.50      |  |
| John Woods,           | 3.50      |  |
| J. A. Peeso, dis. 17, | 40.00     |  |
| H. Tenney,            | 6.75      |  |
| A. J. Rowe,           | 5.25      |  |
| Wm. Lowell,           | 5.25      |  |
| John Woods,           | 5.25      |  |
| Geo. Harvey,          | 5.25      |  |
| Henry Witt,           | 5.00      |  |
| Gean Dick,            | 3.50      |  |
| J. A. Peeso, dis. 18, | 14.00     |  |
| Wm. Lowell,           | 1.75      |  |
| Geo. Harvey,          | 1.75      |  |

|                  |         |           |
|------------------|---------|-----------|
| Paid John Woods, | \$ 1.75 |           |
| H. Tenney,       | 1.75    |           |
|                  | <hr/>   | \$ 361.78 |

## DISTRICT NO. 19.

|                                  |          |                   |
|----------------------------------|----------|-------------------|
| Paid Melvin Bardwell,            | \$ 23.47 |                   |
| W. Piper, and two men,           | 16.00    |                   |
| J. A. Peeso,                     | 40.75    |                   |
| Wm. Lowell,                      | 3.50     |                   |
| A. J. Rowe,                      | 7.00     |                   |
| H. Tenney,                       | 7.00     |                   |
| Geo. Harvey,                     | 4.40     |                   |
| John Woods,                      | 3.50     |                   |
| Gean Dick,                       | 3.50     |                   |
|                                  | <hr/>    | \$ 109.12         |
| Total amount of general repairs, |          | <hr/> \$ 3,582.57 |

## MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT.

|                                                   |          |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid town order drawn by D. P. Spencer,           | \$ 13.53 |
| Jas. Moriarty, bill 1911,                         | 8.00     |
| John L. Smith, parts to scraper 1911,             | 6.10     |
| T. D. Potter, tile and cement 1911,               | 1.98     |
| T. D. Potter, tile and cement 1912,               | 12.15    |
| D. P. Spencer, four men,                          | 19.80    |
| Wm. Shaw, bridge plank,                           | 40.00    |
| A. L. Kimball, bridge plank,                      | 34.25    |
| Good Road Machine Co.,                            | 21.75    |
| E. A. Fuller, tools,                              | 10.35    |
| D. L. Hazen, cement and tile,                     | 25.53    |
| E. R. Peeso, bridge timber,                       | 2.50     |
| J. A. Peeso, oil, spikes, tel. and bridge timber, | 40.00    |
| M. E. Cavanaugh,                                  | 3.50     |
| H. M. Jepson, dynamite,                           | 68.85    |
| Whitcomb & Faulkner, dynamite,                    | 30.60    |
| “ “ “                                             | 1.50     |

|                                        |          |           |
|----------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid New England Culvert Co.,          | \$ 39.00 |           |
| Geo. L. Witt, railings, bridge timber, | 13.75    |           |
| James O'Donnell,                       | 12.50    |           |
| Scarborough Brook Club loam,           | 10.00    |           |
| E. E. Gay, labor,                      | 4.40     |           |
| George Dwight, labor,                  | 1.00     |           |
| E. F. Flaherty, repair on scraper,     | 4.35     |           |
| C. H. Egleston and 3 men, labor,       | 22.84    |           |
| H. R. Gould, cutting brush,            | 2.50     |           |
| Peter Hanifin, plank,                  | 1.30     |           |
| J. A. Peeso, Supt's salary,            | 25.00    |           |
|                                        | <hr/>    | \$ 477.12 |

|                                          |             |             |
|------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total of expenditures on highway,        | \$ 4,059.69 |             |
| I have drawn orders to the amount of     | \$ 3,892.69 |             |
| Balance my due on account,               | 167.00      |             |
|                                          | <hr/>       | \$ 4,059.69 |
| Expenditures in excess of appropriation, | 59.69       |             |

I wish to say to the voters that the expense on the highways, caused by the heavy rain in March, cost from \$1,200.00 to \$1,500.00

|                                             |          |
|---------------------------------------------|----------|
| Cost of 3 culverts, district 1,             | \$ 58.00 |
| Cost of 3 culverts and one bridge, dist. 1, | 25.00    |
| District 2, cost of culvert, and wash out,  | 28.00    |
| District 4, 2 culverts at                   | 12.00    |
| District 7, cost of two bridges,            | 70.00    |
| District 11, cost of one mile road,         | 250.00   |
| One metal culvert,                          | 30.00    |
| One new culvert,                            | 25.00    |
| 3 bridges new laid,                         | 30.00    |
| District 9 and 3, bridges,                  | 25.00    |
| District 10, one bridge,                    | 20.00    |
| District 13, one culvert,                   | 30.00    |

District 14 I found in much need of repairs, the getting out of stones, and scraping the road and with the wash out at the new underpass, makes it an expensive district.

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|------------------|----------|
| 1 metal culvert, | \$ 20.00 |
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District 14, owing to the March wash-out and the heavy teaming, was one of our worst districts. This district where we fixed it will not need much labor to keep it in repair for some years to come.

I used about one and one-half cases of dynamite. You will see I have bought and used about one hundred dollars worth of dynamite this year.

J. A. PEESO, *Supt. of Streets*

## Treasurer's Report.

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| 1912.  |                                     | <i>Dr.</i> |             |
|--------|-------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Feb. 1 | Balance due on settlement,          |            | \$ 4,852.81 |
| 9      | Cash of D. F. Shumway,              |            | 107.38      |
| 17     | "                                   |            | 152.45      |
| 26     | "                                   |            | 58.00       |
| 27     | C. V. R. R., fighting fire,         |            | 169.51      |
| Mar. 1 | Town Farm,                          |            | 139.37      |
| 2      | D. F. Shumway,                      |            | 87.00       |
| 4      | Town of Ludlow,                     |            | 3.50        |
| 16     | D. F. Shumway,                      |            | 54.74       |
| 18     | Town of Leominster,                 |            | 94.43       |
| Apr. 1 | Town Farm,                          |            | 83.64       |
| 2      | D. F. Shumway,                      |            | 145.06      |
| 2      | Ira Damon, butcher's license,       |            | 1.00        |
| 11     | Guy C. Allen, auctioneer's license, |            | 2.00        |
| 18     | R. E. Fairchild, " "                |            | 2.00        |
| 18     | D. F. Shumway,                      |            | 81.36       |
| 23     | "                                   |            | 66.00       |
| 30     | P. J. Keyes, liquor license,        |            | 1,000.00    |
| 30     | W. F. Shaw, " "                     |            | 550.00      |
| 30     | N. W. Farrar, " "                   |            | 1.00        |
| May 1  | Town Farm,                          |            | 29.01       |
| 6      | D. F. Shumway,                      |            | 34.92       |
| 11     | Gideon Chenier, butcher's license,  |            | 1.00        |

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| May 13  | Cash of John Stadler, butcher's license,                     | \$ 1.00  |
| 13      | Herbert D. Paine, " "                                        | 1.00     |
| 25      | Amherst Bank, 6 months note,                                 | 4,000.00 |
| 25      | D. F. Shumway,                                               | 28.98    |
| June 1  | Town Farm,                                                   | 68.20    |
| 1       | D. F. Shumway,                                               | 70.00    |
| 8       | B. & M. R. R., fighting fire,                                | 14.85    |
| 18      | Peter M. Adizima, butcher's license,                         | 1.00     |
| 19      | Mrs. Sarah L. Shattuck, care of lot in Mt.<br>Hope Cemetery, | 50.00    |
| 22      | D. F. Shumway,                                               | 73.64    |
| 25      | "                                                            | 50.00    |
| 29      | "                                                            | 19.68    |
| July 1  | Town Farm,                                                   | 94.00    |
| 4       | Town of Palmer,                                              | 40.65    |
| 6       | D. F. Shumway,                                               | 20.75    |
| 8       | Note, Amherst Bank,                                          | 3,000.00 |
| 27      | State Treasurer, inspection of animals,                      | 61.02    |
| 27      | " " Lyman and Industrial<br>schools,                         | 19.50    |
| 29      | D. F. Shumway,                                               | 36.88    |
| Aug. 1  | Town Farm,                                                   | 50.00    |
| 7       | Charles Clark, pool license,                                 | 2.00     |
| 9       | D. F. Shumway,                                               | 71.09    |
| 9       | W. F. Shaw, pool license,                                    | 2.00     |
| 21      | D. F. Shumway,                                               | 115.13   |
| 31      | "                                                            | 55.20    |
| Sept. 2 | Town Farm,                                                   | 120.01   |
| 10      | Geo. S. Warner,                                              | 193.80   |
| 10      | D. F. Shumway,                                               | 47.64    |
| 12      | Geo. S. Warner,                                              | 138.73   |
| 14      | "                                                            | 229.89   |
| 17      | "                                                            | 268.23   |
| 19      | "                                                            | 310.61   |
| 19      | D. F. Shumway,                                               | 29.42    |
| 21      | Geo. S. Warner,                                              | 2,090.27 |



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|----------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Sept. 24 | Cash of Geo. S. Warner,                         | \$ 346.20 |
| 24       | D. F. Shumway,                                  | 49.35     |
| 25       | Geo. S. Warner,                                 | 833.37    |
| 25       | H. M. Jepson, butcher's license,                | 1.00      |
| 27       | Geo. S. Warner,                                 | 206.60    |
| 28       | "                                               | 224.60    |
| 30       | "                                               | 471.38    |
| Oct. 1   | "                                               | 1,616.47  |
| 1        | Town Farm,                                      | 120.00    |
| 1        | Fines in dist. court,                           | 20.00     |
| 2        | Geo. S. Warner,                                 | 1,339.58  |
| 3        | "                                               | 408.45    |
| 5        | "                                               | 194.37    |
| 8        | D. F. Shumway,                                  | 35.53     |
| 8        | Geo. S. Warner,                                 | 197.12    |
| 8        | D. F. Shumway,                                  | 46.49     |
| 9        | State Treasurer, acc't. School Supt.            | 1,041.66  |
| 14       | George S. Warner,                               | 280.69    |
| 18       | "                                               | 439.27    |
| 23       | "                                               | 193.24    |
| 30       | "                                               | 703.95    |
| Nov. 1   | Town Farm,                                      | 92.82     |
| 2        | George S. Warner,                               | 815.11    |
| 5        | Arthur Pease, reimbursement,                    | 2.15      |
| 6        | D. F. Shumway,                                  | 66.04     |
| 7        | George S. Warner,                               | 504.46    |
| 14       | " "                                             | 257.49    |
| 15       | State Treas., Corporation tax, public services, | 27.27     |
| 15       | " " " " business,                               | 324.00    |
| 15       | " " National Bank tax,                          | 334.39    |
| 15       | " " Military aid,                               | 96.00     |
| 15       | " " State aid,                                  | 2,084.00  |
| 15       | " " burial of indigent soldiers,                | 111.00    |
| 15       | " " tuition of children,                        | 477.00    |
| 16       | D. F. Shumway.                                  | 49.67     |
| 23       | George S. Warner,                               | 219.49    |

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| Nov. 23 | Cash of D. F. Shumway,                                                   | \$ 43.79 |
| 27      | George S. Warner,                                                        | 488.14   |
| 30      | George S. Warner,                                                        | 344.58   |
| Dec. 2  | Town Farm,                                                               | 100.00   |
| 3       | George S. Warner,                                                        | 429.86   |
| 5       | George S. Warner,                                                        | 426.27   |
| 12      | D. D. Hazen, ins. on Franklin school house,                              | 1,200.00 |
| 16      | D. F. Shumway,                                                           | 48.00    |
| 16      | George S. Warner,                                                        | 323.56   |
| 18      | D. F. Shumway,                                                           | 89.44    |
| 28      | George S. Warner,                                                        | 182.92   |
| 31      | Fines from Dist. Court,                                                  | 75.00    |
| 1913    |                                                                          |          |
| Jan. 1  | Town Farm,                                                               | 172.00   |
| 2       | George S. Warner,                                                        | 449.33   |
| 2       | D. F. Shumway,                                                           | 122.59   |
| 6       | George S. Warner,                                                        | 368.23   |
| 9       | County Treasurer, dog fund,                                              | 322.84   |
| 10      | George S. Warner,                                                        | 216.14   |
| 11      | George S. Warner,                                                        | 119.98   |
| 11      | Amherst Savings Bank, County fund,                                       | 101.88   |
| 11      | " " " C. Bridgman high<br>school fund,                                   | 242.40   |
| 11      | Amherst Bank,                                                            | 7.50     |
| 11      | D. F. Shumway,                                                           | 41.50    |
| 15      | P. W. Lyman, care of Harrison & Elihu Root<br>lots in Mt. Hope cemetery, | 75.00    |
| 16      | Maurice Fitzgerald, fines from House of<br>Correction,                   | 12.00    |
| 18      | George S. Warner,                                                        | 165.68   |
| 23      | D. F. Shumway,                                                           | 26.88    |
| 25      | State Treasurer, income Mass. school fund,                               | 1,370.05 |
| 31      | George S. Warner,                                                        | 453.22   |
| Feb. 1  | George S. Warner,                                                        | 179.37   |
| 1       | George S. Warner,                                                        | 6.53     |
| 1       | J. A. Peeso, use of sprayer,                                             | 18.00    |

|      |   |                                                            |              |
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| Feb. | 1 | Cash of D. F. Shumway,                                     | \$ 95.66     |
|      | 1 | D. F. Shumway,                                             | 97.30        |
|      | 1 | M. A. Shaw, sealing fees,                                  | 27.50        |
|      | 1 | Amherst Savings Bank, balance of int. on<br>Cemetery fund, | 74.18        |
|      | 1 | Town Farm,                                                 | 191.95       |
|      |   |                                                            | <hr/>        |
|      |   |                                                            | \$ 42,000.83 |

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| 1912  |    | <i>Cr.</i>                                                              |          |
| April | 2  | Cash paid M. S. Barton, services in district court,                     | \$ 13.36 |
| May   | 4  | M. S. Barton, services in district court,                               | 5.87     |
|       | 11 | State Treasurer, acct. liquor license,                                  | 387.75   |
|       | 20 | Bureau of statistics, approved note,                                    | 3.00     |
|       | 25 | Discount on note at Amherst Bank,                                       | 90.00    |
| June  | 24 | Bureau of statistics, approved note,                                    | 3.00     |
| July  | 2  | Amherst Savings Bank, acct. of cemetery<br>fund from Sarah L. Shattuck, | 50.00    |
|       | 8  | Bureau of statistics, approval of note,                                 | 3.00     |
| Aug.  | 16 | M. S. Barton, services in district court,                               | 25.08    |
| Sept. | 4  | M. S. Barton, services in district court,                               | 34.35    |
|       | 4  | D. H. Tillson, services in district court,                              | 13.85    |
|       | 4  | W. H. Smith,                                                            | 2.90     |
|       | 30 | Edwin H. Banister, County tax,                                          | 1,398.67 |
| Nov.  | 2  | M. S. Barton, services in district court,                               | 23.21    |
|       | 4  | Edwin F. Shumway, services in dist. court,                              | 7.12     |
|       | 15 | State tax,                                                              | 1,687.50 |
|       | 15 | State Treasurer, repairs of state highway,                              | 117.50   |
|       | 19 | Note at Amherst Bank,                                                   | 4,000.00 |
| Dec.  | 3  | M. S. Barton, services in dist. court,                                  | 4.01     |
|       | 23 | Note at Amherst Bank,                                                   | 4,000.00 |
| 1913  |    |                                                                         |          |
| Jan.  | 1  | Interest at Amherst Savings Bank,                                       | 90.00    |
|       | 1  | M. S. Barton, services in dist. court,                                  | 38.03    |
|       | 4  | Bureau of statistics, approval of note,                                 | 3.00     |
|       | 9  | J. A. Peeso, services in dist. court,                                   | 7.02     |



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|--------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Jan. 9 | Cash paid Town of Enfield, acct. school supt. | \$ 291.66    |
| 10     | Discount on note at Amherst Bank,             | 82.50        |
| 11     | Library, amt. of dog fund,                    | 322.84       |
| 20     | Amherst Savings Bank, from P. W.<br>Lyman,    | 75.00        |
| 23     | Note at Amherst Savings Bank,                 | 1,500.00     |
| 23     | Interest on note at Savings Bank,             | 4.17         |
| 31     | M. S. Barton, services in dist. court,        | 31.17        |
| Feb. 1 | 629 town orders delivered selectmen,          | 23,140.41    |
| 1      | Services as treasurer,                        | 100.00       |
| 1      | Cash on hand,                                 | 4,444.86     |
|        |                                               | <hr/>        |
|        |                                               | \$ 42,000.83 |

A. BRIDGMAN, *Treasurer.*

Audited Feb. 17, 1913, G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor.*

# Report of the Overseers of Poor.

## INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Feb. 18, 1913.

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Bed linen,                      | \$ 23.00 |
| Table linen,                    | 6.00     |
| Towels, etc.,                   | 2.30     |
| 7 prs. muslin curtains,         | 5.25     |
| 10 bed spreads and 25 blankets, | 16.00    |
| 5 feather beds,                 | 10.00    |
| 3 straw beds,                   | 1.50     |
| 6 mattresses,                   | 12.00    |
| 17 pillows,                     | 5.00     |
| 23 quilts,                      | 25.00    |
| 5 bed springs,                  | 14.50    |
| 1 bed room set,                 | 5.00     |
| 6 iron bed steads,              | 15.00    |
| 5 wooden bed steads,            | 5.00     |
| 15 bureaus,                     | 30.00    |
| 2 stands,                       | .50      |
| 25 chairs,                      | 16.00    |
| 1 dining table,                 | 6.00     |
| Center table,                   | 2.00     |
| 1 sofa,                         | 3.00     |
| Spray pump and hose,            | 14.00    |
| Washing machine,                | 5.00     |

|                            |         |
|----------------------------|---------|
| 1 sewing machine,          | \$ 5.00 |
| Carpet sweeper,            | 2.25    |
| Oil heater,                | 5.25    |
| 2 cook stoves,             | 10.00   |
| 4 stoves,                  | 15.00   |
| 1 set dishes,              | 8.00    |
| Invalid Chair No. 1,       | 15.00   |
| Invalid Chair No. 2,       | 5.00    |
| 1 carpet,                  | 5.00    |
| 2 linoliums,               | 4.00    |
| 1 incubator,               | 3.00    |
| 1 new range,               | 40.00   |
| Pantry utensils, etc.      | 23.00   |
| 10 lamps,                  | 2.50    |
| Meat and provisions,       | 35.00   |
| 65 gals. vinegar,          | 13.00   |
| 36 qts. canned fruit,      | 22.00   |
| 24 qts. canned pickles,    | 2.40    |
| 20 qts. canned vegetables, | 4.00    |
| 13 cans jelly,             | 2.00    |
| 100 pounds cabbage,        | 2.00    |
| 2 bushels beets,           | 2.00    |
| 1½ barrels apples,         | 4.00    |
| 35 bushels potatoes,       | 28.00   |
| Stock feed,                | 1.00    |
| 200 pounds meal,           | 2.50    |
| 50 pounds cracked corn,    | .63     |
| 5 bushels oats,            | 2.50    |
| 25 cords wood in shed,     | 125.00  |
| 20 cords wood in yard,     | 80.00   |
| 10 stake chains,           | 2.50    |
| 2 cable chains,            | 4.25    |
| Hoes, shovels, etc.,       | 5.00    |
| 53 fowls,                  | 45.00   |
| 100 wheat,                 | 2.00    |
| 300 mixed feed,            | 4.50    |



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|--------------------------------|---------|
| 50 pounds scraps,              | \$ 1.50 |
| 1 double sled,                 | 35.00   |
| 1 single sled,                 | 8.00    |
| 1 express sleigh,              | 7.00    |
| 1 cutter,                      | 15.00   |
| 1 double wagon,                | 100.00  |
| 1 express wagon,               | 25.00   |
| 1 buggy,                       | 15.00   |
| 1 dump cart,                   | 40.00   |
| 1 manure spreader,             | 65.00   |
| 1 pr. double harnesses,        | 25.00   |
| 1 farm harness,                | 10.00   |
| 2 buggy harnesses,             | 20.00   |
| 1 mowing machine,              | 10.00   |
| 1 horse rake,                  | 20.00   |
| 1 tedder,                      | 5.00    |
| 5 plows,                       | 20.00   |
| 1 wheel harrow,                | 23.00   |
| 1 spring tooth harrow,         | 8.00    |
| 1 spike tooth harrow,          | 6.00    |
| 2 cultivators,                 | 5.00    |
| 1 corn sheller,                | 3.00    |
| 1 express pole,                | 1.00    |
| Saws and axes,                 | 3.00    |
| 1 feed cutter,                 | 5.00    |
| 1 Cooley creamer and 15 cans,  | 25.00   |
| 1 grind stone,                 | 2.00    |
| 1 paris green blower,          | 1.50    |
| Measure and pails,             | 1.50    |
| 1 lawn mower,                  | 1.00    |
| 1 stone boat,                  | 2.00    |
| 3½ thousand chestnut shingles, | 12.00   |
| 2 pr. ice tongs,               | 1.00    |
| 1 cant hook,                   | 1.00    |
| 2 bushel walnuts,              | 4.00    |
| 65 tons ice,                   | 65.00   |

|                               |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 fanning mill,               | 2.00              |
| 6 tons silage,                | 18.00             |
| Step ladder,                  | 2.00              |
| 1 corn planter,               | 5.00              |
| 2 ladders,                    | 3.50              |
| Lanterns, brooms and barrels, | 10.00             |
| Blankets, robes and whips,    | 20.00             |
| Cow number 1,                 | 60.00             |
| Cow number 2,                 | 60.00             |
| Cow number 3,                 | 75.00             |
| Cow number 4,                 | 75.00             |
| Cow number 5,                 | 75.00             |
| Cow number 6,                 | 75.00             |
| Cow number 7,                 | 50.00             |
| Cow number 8,                 | 55.00             |
| Cow number 9,                 | 50.00             |
| Cow number 10,                | 70.00             |
| Cow number 11,                | 55.00             |
| Cow number 12,                | 35.00             |
| Cow number 13,                | 50.00             |
| Cow number 14,                | 50.00             |
| 2 two-year-old heifers,       | 35.00             |
| 1 calf,                       | 15.00             |
| 2 horses,                     | 600.00            |
| 8½ tons No. 1 hay,            | 170.00            |
| 2 tons meadow hay,            | 20.00             |
|                               | <hr/> \$ 3,081.33 |

F. M. FULLER, }  
 F. B. ALDEN, } *Appraisers.*

## WARDEN'S REPORT TO OVERSEERS OF POOR.

*Income at the Town Farm from Feb. 1, 1912 to Feb. 1, 1913.*

|                            |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Cash on hand,              | \$ .49            |
| Milk,                      | 1,160.16          |
| Eggs,                      | 36.68             |
| Carrying milk,             | 11.98             |
| Calves,                    | 50.25             |
| Pigs,                      | 54.72             |
| Use of telephone,          | 2.00              |
| Cows,                      | 115.00            |
| Stock service,             | .50               |
| Lumber and shingles,       | 7.20              |
| Labor with team,           | 14.00             |
| Spraying and lime sulphur, | 10.40             |
| Poultry,                   | 32.40             |
| Use of hearse,             | 9.00              |
| Potatoes,                  | 36.82             |
| Use of spreader, W. Piper, | 1.50              |
| Scythe and snath,          | 1.00              |
| Double reins,              | .75               |
| Trunk,                     | .50               |
| J. A. Peeso, use of cart,  | 3.00              |
| Apples,                    | 53.25             |
|                            | ————— \$ 1,601.60 |

*Expense at Town Farm from Feb. 1, 1912 to Feb. 1, 1913.*

|                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Paid for barbering,      | \$ 8.60 |
| washing,                 | 2.75    |
| fish,                    | 4.81    |
| Grand Union Tea Company, | 21.65   |
| daily paper,             | 5.50    |
| Larkin Soap Co.,         | 1.00    |
| garden seed,             | 2.10    |
| tie ropes,               | .70     |
| Thos. Ferrity,           | .25     |



|                                          |         |
|------------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid for medicine,                       | \$ 1.00 |
| cattle show money,                       | .50     |
| hay,                                     | 16.50   |
| stock service,                           | 2.00    |
| grist and grain,                         | 22.35   |
| tobacco,                                 | .30     |
| carrying milk,                           | .54     |
| meat and provisions,                     | 5.11    |
| butter,                                  | 12.20   |
| repairs on spreader,                     | 1.50    |
| freight,                                 | .56     |
| chickens,                                | 22.40   |
| bananas,                                 | .50     |
| pigs,                                    | 6.00    |
| labor, Aldrich boys,                     | 7.75    |
| G. Hawkins,                              | 46.25   |
| Frank Clough,                            | 1.75    |
| Wm. Lowell,                              | 17.50   |
| D. P. Spencer,                           | 3.00    |
| C. Lampson,                              | 1.60    |
| Alonzo Blackmer,                         | 2.00    |
| R. Weston,                               | 1.50    |
| Bardwell boys,                           | 1.60    |
| E. C. Witt,                              | 4.00    |
| A. W. Stacy,                             | .50     |
| A. Rowe,                                 | 1.50    |
| A. L. Pratt,                             | 10.00   |
| Fred Nooney,                             | 1.50    |
| Clarence Hathaway,                       | 24.25   |
| J. A. Peeso, and team,                   | 2.00    |
| express,                                 | .50     |
| extract,                                 | .30     |
| filing saws,                             | 1.85    |
| berries, (blue, black and strawberries,) | 2.10    |
| seed potatoes,                           | 5.00    |
| pasture,                                 | 20.00   |

|                                |          |             |
|--------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Paid for repairing shoes,      | \$ 1.75  |             |
| stock food,                    | 12.00    |             |
| onions,                        | 1.10     |             |
| dentistry,                     | .60      |             |
| horse feed,                    | .50      |             |
| soap,                          | .75      |             |
| fertilizer,                    | 23.10    |             |
| sweater for Charles Sweatland, | .79      |             |
| repairs on cart,               | 3.00     |             |
| eggs for setting,              | .65      |             |
| Paid treasurer,                | 1,261.00 |             |
| Cash on hand,                  | 1.09     |             |
|                                | <hr/>    | \$ 1,601.60 |

Number of hearse calls, 30

Audited Feb. 19, 1913, G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor*.

## EXPENSES AT ALMSHOUSE.

### PAUPER IN ACCOUNT.

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| H. F. Curtis, blacksmithing,   | \$ 18.75 |
| E. F. Flaherty, blacksmithing. | 28.39    |
| R. E. Fairchild, grain,        | 213.25   |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., grain,     | 209.83   |
| Ira E. Damon, hay,             | 38.82    |
| H. C. Conkey, hay,             | 57.40    |
| George Akers, hay,             | 20.00    |
| E. F. Shumway, hay,            | 16.44    |
| A. Bridgman, supplies,         | 81.54    |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., supplies,  | 110.47   |
| R. E. Fairchild, supplies,     | 7.05     |
| D. L. Hazen, supplies,         | 236.50   |
| J. W. Jackson, supplies,       | 28.10    |
| F. W. Fellows, supplies,       | 9.20     |
| H. A. Hopkins, supplies,       | 25.87    |
| Miley Soap Co., supplies,      | 17.50    |

|                                          |             |
|------------------------------------------|-------------|
| N. W. Farrar, supplies,                  | \$ 2.90     |
| A. E. Hadlock, supplies,                 | 5.53        |
| E. C. Howard, fertilizers,               | 9.45        |
| E. A. Fuller, fertilizers,               | 3.20        |
| H. R. Gould, fertilizers,                | 39.00       |
| Pratt Bros., labor and supplies on silo, | 86.18       |
| A. M. Baggs, cash for cows,              | 25.00       |
| H. W. Conkey, services as warden,        | 441.70      |
| H. D. Hoag, labor on silo,               | 45.00       |
|                                          | <hr/>       |
|                                          | \$ 1,777.07 |

## INCOME FROM TOWN FARM.

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Cash paid treasurer by the warden, | 1,261.00  |
|                                    | <hr/>     |
| Actual expense,                    | \$ 516.07 |

## PAUPERS OUTSIDE ALMSHOUSE.

|                                          |          |
|------------------------------------------|----------|
| Joseph Machouski, partial support,       | \$ 10.00 |
| Paid aid for town of Leominster,         | 104.24   |
| Partial support of two town charges,     | 69.00    |
| City of Springfield, town charges,       | 60.58    |
| Hastings & Fitzgerald, supplies,         | 4.54     |
| Brown Brothers, supplies,                | 4.61     |
| Dr. A. H. Dunphy, medical aid,           | 28.05    |
| Mercy hospital,                          | 5.00     |
| Springfield St. Railway, transportation, | 22.65    |
| V. M. Frost, ambulance,                  | 3.00     |
| Dr. A. H. Dumphy, medical aid,           | 10.00    |
| Dr. James A. Collard, medical aid,       | 10.00    |
| Rutland state sanatorium,                | 101.54   |
| Charles D. Holden, supplies,             | 6.00     |
| City of Worcester,                       | 13.12    |
| E. E. Sargent, services rendered,        | 20.00    |
| Westfield state sanatorium,              | 27.43    |
| City of Springfield, town charge,        | 72.20    |
| Town of West Springfield,                | 58.50    |
| Dr. W. B. T. Smith, medical aid,         | 10.50    |



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|-------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| H. A. Hopkins, supplies,      | \$ 21.00 |           |
| State Board of Charity,       | 35.25    |           |
| Dr. W. B. Segur, medical aid, | 15.00    |           |
| Dr. C. B. King, medical aid,  | 38.25    |           |
| City of Northampton,          | 9.00     |           |
| Town of Warren, supplies,     | 17.07    |           |
| Town charge,                  | 8.00     |           |
|                               | <hr/>    | \$ 704.53 |

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|---------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Total expense of paupers,             | \$ 1,300.60 |           |
| Reimbursed by the town of Leominster, | 64.43       |           |
| Due from the town of Leominster,      | 104.24      |           |
| Due from city of Fitchburg,           | 48.00       |           |
| Due from state,                       | 9.00        |           |
|                                       | <hr/>       | \$ 225.67 |

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|---------------------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Total expense of pauper out and paupers in, | \$ 1,074.93 |  |
| Appropriation for 1912,                     | 900.00      |  |

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| Bills paid in excess of appropriation, | \$ 174.93 |  |
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|---------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| E. R. PEESO,  | } | <i>Overseers<br/>of<br/>Poor.</i> |
| J. J. GARVEY, |   |                                   |
| F. M. FULLER, |   |                                   |

Audited Feb. 19, 1913, G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor.*

# Town Account.

## REPORT ON STREET LIGHTING.

|                                           |           |           |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance Feb. 1, 1912,          | \$ 34.64  |           |
| Appropriation of 1912,                    | 375.00    |           |
|                                           |           | \$ 409.64 |
| Paid A. E. Atwood, care of lights,        | \$ 100.80 |           |
| Phinian Vance, care of lights,            | 48.35     |           |
| F. W. Allen, oil for street lights,       | 6.60      |           |
| B. L. Thrasher, repairs on street lights, | 2.80      |           |
| D. L. Hazen, oil for street lights,       | 19.50     |           |
| A. E. Dodge, lamp posts and labor,        | 7.50      |           |
| F. W. Fellows, oil for lights,            | 22.76     |           |
| W. L. Lauree, " " "                       | 9.67      |           |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., oil for lights,       | .93       |           |
| A. E. Hadlock, oil for lights,            | 11.79     |           |
| R. E. Fairchild, " " "                    | .60       |           |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., for lights at |           |           |
| South part,                               | 140.04    |           |
| J. W. Jackson, supplies,                  | 4.45      |           |
| Total expenditure,                        | \$ 375.79 |           |
| Unexpended balance,                       |           | \$ 33.85  |

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|--------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid S. A. Hodgkins, special police,             | \$ 8.70 |
| N. Eng. Tel. Co., service at town farm,          | 1.00    |
| George F. Lincoln, services as auditor,          | 5.00    |
| George B. Jackson, care of town clock,           | 48.00   |
| D. L. Hazen, chemicals for engine,               | 7.50    |
| J. R. Gould, inspector of cattle and barns,      | 62.04   |
| F. B. Alden, assessors' supplies,                | 4.95    |
| B. L. Thrasher, stove pipe and labor, town hall, | .97     |
| H. R. Gould, inspecting meat,                    | 33.30   |
| D. L. Hazen, insurance,                          | 17.28   |
| G. H. B. Green, services as moderator,           | 5.00    |
| New Eng. Tel. Co., service at town farm,         | 1.00    |
| P. B. Murphy & Co., dog license blanks,          | 2.25    |
| W. C. Hayes, damage to wagon on highway,         | 6.21    |
| American Surety Co., bond for A. Bridgman,       | 20.00   |
| New Eng. Tel. Co., service at town farm,         | 1.25    |
| Lewis H. Blackmer, printing and supplies,        | 93.23   |
| E. C. Howard, moth work,                         | 106.00  |
| J. A. Peeso, fire report, oil and supplies,      | 7.00    |
| E. C. Howard, moth work,                         | 61.65   |
| Pratt Bros., wood for hall,                      | 2.00    |
| D. D. Hazen, insurance policy,                   | 67.50   |
| S. A. Hodgkins, labor at town hall,              | 1.25    |
| F. B. Fellows, oil for engine house,             | .90     |
| C. H. Chase, real estate transfers,              | 15.45   |
| Wm. M. Williams, antitoxine,                     | 10.50   |
| Albert C. Langtry, one two quire reg. voters,    | 2.25    |
| New Eng. Tel. Co., service at town farm,         | 1.30    |
| J. A. Peeso, fighting forest fires,              | 30.45   |
| G. A. R. Memorial day,                           | 50.00   |
| Emerson laboratory, examination diphtheria case, | 2.20    |
| Amherst Bank, discount on note,                  | 90.00   |
| Bacon & Donnivan, repairs on sprayer,            | 6.80    |
| W. T. Hale, publishing historical address,       | 25.00   |
| J. A. Peeso, spraying trees,                     | 66.00   |
| G. F. Lincoln, preparing statistics,             | 16.00   |



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| Paid Amherst Bank, discount on note,                     | \$ 77.50 |
| H. R. Gould, inspecting meat,                            | 28.50    |
| W. & L. E. Gurley, sealers' supplies,                    | .62      |
| W. S. Piper, mowing park,                                | 5.00     |
| J. L. Collard, damage to automobile on highway,          | 6.00     |
| Chester Wood, " " "                                      | 4.00     |
| Dr. Lake, visit to Patrick Sullivan,                     | 1.50     |
| G. D. Blackmer, cleaning sidewalks,                      | .63      |
| Amherst Bank, discount on note,                          | 67.50    |
| G. W. Howe, cemetery work,                               | 25.00    |
| E. A. Randall, damage to wagon on highway,               | 13.00    |
| Charles Austin, " " "                                    | 4.99     |
| M. S. Barton, " " "                                      | 8.00     |
| D. L. Hazen, spraying supplies,                          | 23.57    |
| Lewis H. Blackmer, printing voters' lists,               | 8.30     |
| New Eng. Tel. Co., services at town farm,                | 3.30     |
| S. A. Hodgkins, burial expense of Philip Dodge,          | 37.00    |
| A. H. Hubbard, cemetery work,                            | 158.90   |
| Dr. Lake, returning of births,                           | 2.00     |
| D. F. Austin, repairs on watering trough,                | 4.90     |
| E. E. Davis, services as civil engineer, grade crossing, | 259.29   |
| A. J. Morse, services in court,                          | 10.00    |
| H. R. Gould, meat inspection,                            | 15.90    |
| S. A. Hodgkins, labor at Town Hall,                      | 1.25     |
| E. F. Flaherty, repairs on climbers,                     | .85      |
| Roy G. Shaw, mowing cemeteries,                          | 15.00    |
| E. A. Fuller, oil for Engine House,                      | .55      |
| E. A. Fuller, arsenate of lead,                          | 8.50     |
| D. L. Hazen, chemical extinguisher,                      | 200.00   |
| Henry McKillop, damage by wash-out,                      | 5.00     |
| A. H. Bartlett, printing,                                | 2.15     |
| L. & W. E. Gurley, supplies for sealer of weights,       | .62      |
| J. A. Peeso, spraying,                                   | 22.60    |
| D. D. Hazen, bond for tax collector,                     | 25.00    |
| W. T. Hale, printing 150th. Anniversary Addresses,       | 4.30     |
| Marion Bridgman, stamps and labor,                       | 7.60     |

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|------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid Boston Duck Co., flushing sewers,               | \$ 1.25 |
| W. & L. E. Gurley, record weighing book,             | 1.06    |
| L. H. Blackmer, printing,                            | 1.85    |
| M. S. Barton, services as constable,                 | 24.00   |
| New England Tel. Co., services at Town Farm,         | 1.50    |
| E. F. Flaherty, services as cattle inspector,        | 50.00   |
| Dr. C. H. Giroux, returning births,                  | 1.50    |
| J. A. Peeso, services as Fire Warden,                | 20.00   |
| H. R. Gould, services as meat inspector,             | 37.80   |
| Emerson Laboratory, diptheria case,                  | 6.80    |
| J. L. Collard, fumigating in diptheria case,         | 7.00    |
| D. F. Shumway, abatement taxes in 1911,              | 114.89  |
| Union Grange, use of hall for court,                 | 2.00    |
| A. Bridgman, car fare, postage and expenses,         | 25.50   |
| A. Bridgman, recording births, marriages and deaths, | 29.40   |
| Dr. George Rawson, returning births,                 | .25     |
| M. A. Shaw, services as sealer of weights,           | 40.00   |
| A. C. Smith, services as meat inspector,             | 10.00   |
| D. D. Hazen, premiums on policy,                     | 16.00   |
| N. W. Farrar, candles for Dr. Collard,               | 1.05    |
| Roy G. Shaw, returning deaths,                       | 4.25    |
| A. L. Pratt, assessors' supplies,                    | 5.22    |
| Emerson Laboratory, diptheria case,                  | 2.10    |
| W. D. Randolph, inspection of meat,                  | 4.00    |
| H. S. Pratt, care of and mowing cemeteries,          | 10.00   |
| New Eng. Tel. Co., telephone at Town Farm,           | 2.50    |
| W. & L. E. Gurley, die for seal press,               | .62     |
| J. A. Peeso, services and supplies at Engine house,  | 29.25   |
| J. A. Peeso, services as Fire Warden,                | 14.85   |
| D. F. Shumway, abatement of taxes,                   | 2.00    |
| E. C. Howard, moth work,                             | 59.50   |
| L. H. Blackmer, order book,                          | 5.75    |
| Dr. J. L. Collard, returning births,                 | 3.50    |
| M. F. Sullivan, returning deaths,                    | 1.75    |
| D. L. Hazen, supplies at town hall,                  | .33     |
| New Eng. Tel. Co., tel. at town farm,                | 2.36    |

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|---------------------------------|-------------|
| J. A. Peeso, spraying supplies, | \$ 5.50     |
|                                 | <hr/>       |
|                                 | \$ 2,483.93 |

## SALARIES PAID TO TOWN OFFICERS.

|                                                                              |          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| D. K. Shumway, services as registrar,                                        | \$ 21.50 |
| F. F. Dewey, services as registrar,                                          | 24.50    |
| H. H. Ward, services as registrar,                                           | 20.00    |
| A. Bridgman, services as registrar,                                          | 18.50    |
| E. A. Randall, bal. due for services as selectman 1911,                      | 20.00    |
| A. C. Smith, " " "                                                           | 17.50    |
| E. R. Peeso, services as selectman etc. for the year<br>ending Feb. 1, 1913, | 100.00   |
| F. M. Fuller, services as selectman,                                         | 53.75    |
| J. J. Garvey, " " "                                                          | 80.00    |
| A. L. Pratt, services as assessor,                                           | 100.00   |
| F. B. Alden, " " "                                                           | 100.00   |
| F. M. Fuller, " " "                                                          | 100.00   |
| Everett Stebbins, services as election officer,                              | 6.00     |
| M. G. Ward, " " " "                                                          | 3.00     |
| M. P. Bowler, " " " "                                                        | 1.50     |
| M. A. Shaw, " " " "                                                          | 6.00     |
| H. M. Aldrich, " " " "                                                       | 6.00     |
| C. R. Aldrich, " " " "                                                       | 1.50     |
| E. L. Schmidt, " " " "                                                       | 3.00     |
| M. S. Williams, " " " "                                                      | 6.00     |
| H. F. Shaw, " " " "                                                          | 4.50     |
| F. E. Austin, " " " "                                                        | 3.00     |
| Andrew Sayers, " " " "                                                       | 4.50     |
| E. C. Witt, " " " "                                                          | 1.50     |
| E. E. Sargent, " " " "                                                       | 1.50     |
| M. S. Barton, " " " "                                                        | 1.50     |
| E. F. Flaherty, " " " "                                                      | 3.00     |
| D. F. O'Connor, " " " "                                                      | 1.50     |
| D. F. Shumway, bal. due as tax collector, 1911,                              | 50.00    |
| A. Bridgman, services as town clerk,                                         | 50.00    |



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|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid D. F. Austin, services as election officer,                  | \$ 1.50 |
| Geo. S. Warner, services as tax collector, part payment,<br>1912, | 50.00   |

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\$ 861.25

Total of town account outside of street lighting, \$ 3,345.18

Of this account there were appropriations as

|                                                  |             |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| follows for town expenses,                       | \$ 2,000.00 |
| For care of cemeteries,                          | \$ 75.00    |
| For suppression of brown tail moth,              | 300.00      |
| For spraying trees,                              | 150.00      |
| For fire extinguisher,                           | 200.00      |
| G. A. R., Memorial day,                          | 50.00       |
| Bond, stationery and postage, for tax collector, | 35.00       |
| Printing historical address,                     | 25.00       |
| Mowing the park,                                 | 10.00       |

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Total of appropriation \$ 2,845.18

Bills paid in excess of appropriations, \$ 500.18

#### SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT OF TOTAL EXPENDITURES IN THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS.

|                           |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| For highways and bridges, | \$ 3,892.69        |
| Town account,             | 2,483.93           |
| School account,           | 10,983.15          |
| Pauper in account,        | 1,777.07           |
| Pauper out account,       | 784.53             |
| Street lighting,          | 375.79             |
| Town officers,            | 861.25             |
| State aid,                | 1,982.00           |
|                           | <hr/> \$ 23,140.41 |

We have issued 630 town orders, given

to the Treasurer to the amount of \$ 23,140.41

|               |   |                                          |
|---------------|---|------------------------------------------|
| E. R. PEESO.  | } | <i>Selectmen<br/>of<br/>Belchertown.</i> |
| J. J. GARVEY, |   |                                          |
| F. M. FULLER. |   |                                          |

Audited Feb. 19, 1913, G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor.*

## Auditor's Report.

### BILLS RECEIVABLE.

|                                     |                    |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| In hands of treasurer,              | \$ 4,444.86        |
| In hands of collector,              | 3,346.52           |
| Due from state :                    |                    |
| For state aid,                      | \$ 2,143.00        |
| For forestry department,            | 100.00             |
| For inspection of cattle and barns, | 25.00              |
| For burial of indigent soldiers,    | 37.00              |
| For state charge,                   | 10.00              |
| Due from town of Leominster,        | 104.24             |
| Due from city of Fitchburg,         | 48.00              |
| Due from Central Vermont R. R.,     | 44.00              |
| Due from Boston & Maine R. R.,      | 3.00               |
|                                     | <hr/> \$ 10,305.62 |
|                                     | 6,100.00           |
| Surplus,                            | <hr/> \$ 4,205.62  |

### BILLS PAYABLE.

|                               |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| Bank note due July 8, 1913,   | \$ 3,000.00       |
| Bank note due Jan. 26, 1914,  | 1,500.00          |
| Bank note due Jan. 26, 1915,  | 1,500.00          |
| Pauper accounts not exceeding | 100.00            |
|                               | <hr/> \$ 6,100.00 |

G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor.*

Feb. 1, 1913

## Report of Committee on Appropriations.

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|                                            |                    |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| For schools,                               | \$ 6,500.00        |
| For new school house in Franklin district, | 3,500.00           |
| For highways,                              | 2,500.00           |
| For town account,                          | 2,000.00           |
| For pauper account,                        | 500.00             |
| For street lighting,                       | 350.00             |
| For cemetery account,                      | 100.00             |
| For Memorial day,                          | 50.00              |
|                                            | ————— \$ 15,500.00 |

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| D. F. SHUMWAY, | } | <i>Committee<br/>on<br/>Appropriations</i> |
| W. M. GOODELL, |   |                                            |
| A. C. SMITH,   |   |                                            |



## Tree Warden's Report.

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|                                           |          |           |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Appropriation,                            |          | \$ 150.00 |
| Paid W. D. Dunbar, labor,                 | \$ 46.00 |           |
| A. J. Rowe,                               | 23.00    |           |
| Martin Crow,                              | 17.00    |           |
| J. A. Peeso, labor and supplies,          | 5.50     |           |
| Bacon & Donovan, supplies,                | 9.40     |           |
| D. L. Hazen,           “                  | 23.57    |           |
| E. A. Fuller & Co.,                       | 8.50     |           |
| Unexpended balance,                       | 17.03    |           |
|                                           | <hr/>    | \$ 150.00 |
| There is due from the state and abutters, | \$ 20.25 |           |

I would suggest that the town raise the sum of two hundred dollars.

J. A. PEESO, *Tree Warden.*

Audited Feb. 18, 1913. G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor.*

## Report of Fire Department.

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|                                                           |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| To reporting and investigating school house fire,         | \$ 2.50  |
| To Parsonage and Jackson's barns, watching<br>the same,   | 6.00     |
| To chimney fire,                                          | 5.00     |
| To oil and care of engine house, Feb., Mar. and<br>April, | 7.00     |
| To soda and freight,                                      | 2.75     |
| To repairs and supplies on tub,                           | 3.00     |
| To E. A. Fuller, oil and wick,                            | .55      |
| To J. A. Peeso, care of same,                             | 10.00    |
|                                                           | <hr/>    |
| To total expense,                                         | \$ 36.80 |

I would suggest that the selectmen and chief of the fire department be instructed to sell the large express wagon and purchase more extinguishers and other supplies for its use.

J. A. PEESO, *Chief of Fire Department.*

## Report of Forest Warden.

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|                                      |           |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation,                       |           | \$ 200.00 |
| Paid for one 40 gal. extinguisher,   | \$ 200.00 |           |
| Due from the state,                  |           | 100.00    |
| Amount expended for fires,           | 52.30     |           |
| To telephone, car fare etc.,         | 13.00     |           |
|                                      | <hr/>     | \$ 65.30  |
| There is due from the C. V. R. R.,   | \$ 44.00  |           |
| There is due from the B. & M. R. R., | 3.00      |           |
|                                      | <hr/>     | \$ 47.00  |
| The expense to the town,             |           | \$ 18.30  |

J. A. PEESO, *Forest Warden.*

## Report on Funds.

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### MRS. SUSAN M. D. BRIDGMAN FUND.

|                                                            |           |           |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance Feb. 1, 1912,                           | \$ 275.95 |           |
| Rec'd April 1, 1912,                                       | 140.00    |           |
| Rec'd Sept. 1, 1912,                                       | 140.00    |           |
| Rec'd Jan. 1, 1913,                                        | 70.00     |           |
|                                                            | <hr/>     | \$ 625.95 |
| April 1, 1912, paid Clapp Memorial Library,                | \$ 50.00  |           |
| Gave aid to 15 families, issued 75 orders,<br>amounting to | 385.00    |           |
|                                                            | <hr/>     | \$ 435.00 |
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1913,                          |           | \$ 190.95 |

### WHITING STREET FUND.

|                                                            |           |           |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1912,                          | \$ 250.91 |           |
| Rec'd Sept. 6, 1912,                                       | 270.00    |           |
|                                                            | <hr/>     | \$ 520.91 |
| Gave aid to 16 families, issued 64 orders,<br>amounting to |           | 319.80    |
|                                                            |           | <hr/>     |
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1913,                          |           | \$ 201.11 |

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| E. R. PEESO,<br>F. M. FULLER,<br>J. J. GARVEY,<br>Mrs. M. G. WARD,<br>Mrs. M. A. MORSE, | } | <i>Almoners.</i> |
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## Report of the Local Moth Supt.

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Your local superintendent desires to say in his report that in his work to control the Brown Tail Moth last year he secured 1,530 winter nests of the same.

They were found in very nearly all sections of the town and were discovered mostly upon apple trees, the remainder among pear, wild cherry, oak, maple, elm etc.

Your superintendent is pleased to be able to report that so far, in his work to control the moths, he found fewer nests this year than he did in the same sections of the town last year.

This is a very hopeful sign that by very careful and diligent work the moths can be controlled for a number of years at least.

Your superintendent desires to call the attention of property owners to the notices that they have received from the selectmen in regard to the keeping of their fruit trees cleared of the winter nests of brown tail moth.

Another thing that he would call attention to is the large numbers of wild apple and cherry trees that cover our farms, that are worse than useless, and to keep the same free from moths as we are required to by law makes this part of the moth work more expensive than it ought to be. These useless trees should not be allowed to stand and furnish food and shelter for all kinds of insects to reinfest our orchards and gardens.

Can we not ask and expect all real estate owners to co-operate along these lines suggested.

|                                                    |          |           |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance from 1911,                      | \$ 89.00 |           |
| Appropriation 1912,                                | 300.00   |           |
|                                                    | <hr/>    | \$ 389.00 |
| Labor of self, 3 men, and use of 2 teams, 1912, \$ | 165.50   |           |
| Labor of self, 1 man and use of team, 1913,        | 59.50    |           |
|                                                    | <hr/>    | \$ 225.00 |
|                                                    |          | <hr/>     |
| Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1913,                      |          | \$ 164.00 |

### THE SAN JOSE SCALE.

This scale insect is now found in all parts of the town. It is continuing to increase in numbers and is becoming more and more destructive. This scale affects only fruit trees, their fruit, and a few varieties of shrubs and currents. Spraying is the only remedy.

### THE CHESTNUT BARK DISEASE.

This disease was mentioned quite fully in my last year's report, and will only say that the disease is continuing to spread and is increasing its work of destruction. In many chestnut lots fully one fourth of the trees are already infested.

There is now no practical remedy that can be applied in stopping this terrible disease of our chestnut trees.

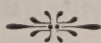
No gipsy moths have been found in town up to the present time.

EVERETT C. HOWARD, *Local Moth Supt.*

# Annual Report

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE



### Organization, March, 1912--March, 1913

ROSWELL ALLEN,  
R. E. FAIRCHILD,  
JAMES S. PECK,

Term Expires, March, 1913  
Term Expires, March, 1914  
Term Expires, March, 1915

### Superintendent of Schools

ALVAN R. LEWIS,

Term Expires, Sept. 1, 1915

### Truant Officer

D. F. SHUMWAY



# School Calendar.

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## HIGH SCHOOL.

Spring Term will begin, March 31, 1913.  
Spring Term will close, June 20, 1913.  
Fall Term will begin, Sept. 1, 1913.  
Fall Term will close, Dec. 19, 1913.  
Winter Term will begin, Dec. 29, 1913.  
Winter Term will close, Mar. 20, 1914.

## GRAMMAR AND GRADED SCHOOLS.

Spring Term will begin, Mar. 31, 1913.  
Spring Term will close, June 20, 1913.  
Fall Term will begin, Sept. 8, 1913.  
Fall Term will close, Dec. 19, 1913.  
Winter Term will begin, Dec. 29, 1913.  
Winter Term will close, Mar. 13, 1914.

## Teachers and Wages.

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|                 |                     |                    |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| High School,    | Walter F. Burt,     | \$ 1,000.00        |
| High School,    | Helen J. Goodspeed, | 565.00             |
| High School,    | Ruth T. Abbott,     | 500.00             |
| Center Gram.,   | Katherine Sampson,  | \$ 13.00 per week. |
| Center Int.,    | S. Belle Snow,      | 10.00 per week.    |
| Center Prim.,   | Rachel Lapolice,    | 10.00 per week.    |
| Cold Spring,    | Bridget Fitzgerald, | 8.50 per week.     |
| Franklin Gram., | Nellie G. Shea,     | 9.00 per week.     |
| Franklin Prim., | Nellie L. Sullivan, | 10.00 per week.    |
| Liberty,        | Lily Barber,        | 10.00 per week.    |
| Washington,     | Roland Shaw,        | 9.00 per week.     |
| Chestnut Hill,  | Elizabeth Doyle,    | 8.50 per week.     |
| Federal,        | Ella Moriarty,      | 9.00 per week.     |
| Lake Vale,      | Libbie Gutberlett,  | 8.00 per week.     |
| Union,          | Edith Towne,        | 9.00 per week.     |
| West Hill,      | Marion Ketchen,     | 6.00 per week.     |
| Blue Meadow,    | May Horr,           | 7.00 per week.     |

# Report of Superintendent of Schools.

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*To the School Committee of Belchertown,*

Gentlemen:

I have the honor of submitting for your consideration my fifth annual report, which is the ninth annual report of the superintendent of schools.

## ATTENDANCE.

The per cent of attendance is a little higher than last year. The number of cases of tardiness during the year is *disgraceful*, the greater part of which was caused by pupils who live in the center of the town. Nearly all the cases of tardiness during the year were *absolutely unnecessary*.

## CHANGE OF TEACHERS.

Miss Irma Dyson, second assistant in the High school, resigned at the close of the winter term on account of sickness. Miss Marion Bartlett, substituted very acceptably until the close of the year, when Miss Ruth T. Abbott, a graduate of Wellesley College, was elected to fill the vacancy. Miss Emma Richardson, teacher of the Center Primary, resigned at the close of the spring term to accept a similar position in Norwood at a larger increase in salary. Miss Rachel Lapolice, a graduate of our high school and of the Worcester Normal School, was elected teacher of the Center Primary. At the close of the winter term, Miss Horr of the Washington school was transferred to the Blue Meadow, and Mr. Roland Shaw was placed in charge of the Washington.



Miss Sadie Demarest substituted during the spring term owing to the illness of Mr. Clifton Witt who resigned at the close of the year to enter the normal school, and Miss Marion Ketchen was elected teacher of West Hill. Miss Agnes Dillon who has been the successful teacher of Liberty for three years resigned during the winter term to accept a position in Monson. Miss Lily Barber, a graduate of the Teachers College, England, was elected teacher at Liberty.

### HIGH SCHOOL.

For details of work in the high school, I call your attention to the report of the high school principal.

Considerable apparatus and chemicals have been added to the science department and the course has been greatly strengthened. With a school year of forty weeks, three competent teachers, and a strong course of study, good work should be accomplished. For a pupil to prepare for a higher institution he must do thorough work during *four* years. One can not hope to do just passable work for two or three years and prepare for college during the remainder of his course. A pupil can not do good work in school and spend his time out of school, on the street, and his evenings at entertainments. To thoroughly complete a course in the high school requires hard work, and a pupil should not let anything interfere with his school work.

### GRADED SCHOOLS.

With a school year of 36 weeks for all the schools below the high school, better and more uniform work has been accomplished. Pupils should be made to realize that lessons are assigned to be learned, and teachers should insist upon work well done.

The backward spring interfered with the work on the school garden at the center. Some industrial work has been done at the Franklin and Cold Spring schools, and a good exhibition of vegetables, flowers and needle work was made at the October fair.

I recommend that the tract of land which the town purchased for the high school be planted with fruit trees and that the boys be taught how to care for them by an expert. This will give them practical training along the industrial line; and in a few years will be a source of revenue.

It is wise, in all our work, to build for the future.

#### MUSIC AND DRAWING.

The music and drawing in the center schools have been in charge of Mrs. Lucy A. Gatchell, who is thoroughly qualified for her work. The pupils have greatly improved in voice and in ability to read at sight. It will not be long before the most of our pupils will be able to sing well, and all may understand the principles of music. The exhibition given in January was well attended and highly appreciated. I will call your attention to the report of the music teacher for her plan of work.

#### PHYSICAL TRAINING.

The boys in the center schools have received physical training in charge of W. S. Hale, M. D. The boys entered into this work with interest, and if continued, good results will surely follow. The work of Dr. Hale who kindly gave his services was appreciated.

In January the Franklin school building with contents was totally destroyed by fire. Two rooms were secured in the Keyes' Block and furnished at considerable expense. This caused the loss of two weeks which will be made up during the spring vacation.

Mr. Keyes kindly gave the town the free use of the rooms.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation of the hearty support of the school committee, the cheerful co-operation of the teachers, and the loyalty of the citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAN R. LEWIS.

Feb. 1, 1913.



## Report of High School Principal.

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*To the Superintendent and School Committee of Belchertown:*  
Gentlemen:-

The report of the Principal of the High School for 1912 - 1913 is herewith submitted.

The school is conducted this year on practically the same lines as were followed last year. The French, Latin, American and English History courses are given by Miss Goodspeed; the English, German and Ancient History by Miss Abbott, and the Science and Mathematics by Mr. Burt.

At the suggestion of the agent of the State Board of Education last spring the curriculum for this year was altered in several important respects, in an endeavor to provide a schedule which would be perfectly satisfactory to the State Board, and would be certain of approval by the Board.

The most important changes in the curriculum from that of last year are the establishment of an elementary course in Bookkeeping for the Freshmen, and a course in Bookkeeping and Commercial Law for the Seniors; a course in Science for the Sophomores; a course in English History for the Juniors; a course in Review Mathematics for the Juniors, and Advanced Mathematics for the Senior Classical divisions and courses in Commercial Arithmetic for the Juniors, and Advanced Science for the Senior English divisions; besides the transfer of the Physiology course from the Senior to the Sophomore class.



In consequence of the addition of these courses, the number of periods per day has of necessity been increased from seven to nine, exclusive of the Spelling period. This change of course results in shorter periods, so that at present thirty five minutes is the maximum time we can give to each class, while most courses have but thirty minutes each. It is planned to rearrange the schedule for next year, however, so that more time may be allowed for each recitation.

A period of fifteen minutes each day is devoted to Spelling and drills in the definitions of words, while the weekly Spelling match of Friday afternoon, serves as an oral review. The remainder of the Friday afternoon period is devoted to mental and written work in practical and business Arithmetic, including, besides the primary process, square and cube root, measurement of areas and solids, lumber, comparative carrying capacities of pipes, and the like; to practical tests in United States geography; and to the regular Rhetoricals and debates.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER F. BURT, *Principal*.

February 10, 1913.

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## REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER.

BELCHERTOWN, FEB. 1, 1913.

*To the School Committee;*

I have received during the year from the School Committee, Teachers and Superintendent, 20 summonses to absentees from school. To all of these I have given prompt attention, and have seen that they have attended school.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Truant Officer*.

## Report of Teacher of Music.

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*To the Superintendent of Schools, Belchertown:*

The work in music has been carried on in a similiar manner to that of the two previous years. An effort was made at the beginning of the year to organize both a boys' and a girls' Glee club. Owing to lack of interest on the part of the boys, their club had to be given up, but the girls showed sufficient interest to make theirs quite a success.

The four musical events which have been planned for the year, are as follows.

A program of Song and Folk Dancing, given in January. An Operetta, "Tyrolien Queen", to be given in March. A Festival, celebrating the May time with May songs and Folk Dances given out of doors, and the graduation music.

These special musical events not only arouse interest, but afford opportunity and incentive for voice training, artistic interpretation of good music and in general a broader appreciation and love for the art.

I wish to express my appreciation for the cordial help and cooperation given me in the work, by teachers, principal, superintendent and school board.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCY A. GATCHELL.

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## REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

BELCHERTOWN, FEB. 1, 1913.

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

Of children examined, I have found seven cases of adenoids and chronic hypertrophy of tonsils, whose parents have been notified. I have also treated ten cases at my office.

JAMES L. COLLARD, *School Physician.*

# GRADUATION EXERCISES

OF THE

BELCHERTOWN  
HIGH SCHOOL

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June 27, 1912

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

8 P. M.

## Class Ode

### FLEETING MOMENTS

Dear friends, we must leave thee,  
From the school we now must part,  
Where we have spent our days,

Each with joyful heart.

The moments fast are fleeting,  
With love we'll ne'er forget,  
And hope of future meeting,  
Though we must part.

To-night we leave the school,  
The school we all have loved so well,  
But off' in memory's thoughts  
This old school will be held.

We all in time shall wiser grow,  
Though some from books may turn,  
For, where e'er we all may go,  
We'll find things yet to learn.

Bright be our pathway,

With our motto still in view,

A motto which will stay,

And to which we'll be true.

"Climb though the way be rugged,"

Climb though the path be steep,

Till we shall reach our goal,

Success at last,



# Program

PROCESSIONAL  
PRAYER

SEND OUT THY LIGHT  
REV. E. P. KELLY  
CHORUS

SALUTATORY

HISTORY, Class of 1912  
ANNA COLEMAN

I WOULD THAT MY LOVE  
MARY HANIFIN  
GIRLS' CHORUS

ORATION, Life of Robert E. Lee  
DANIEL COLEMAN

ESSAY, The Panama Canal  
EDITH THAYER

PROPHECY, Thus Saith the Oracle  
MARION KETCHEN

OH, HUSH THERE, MY BABY  
DOUBLE QUARTET

ESSAY, The Red Cross Society  
FLORENCE BAGGS

LEGACY, Sweets for the Sweet  
MINNIE STADLER

ODE, Fleeting Moments  
GERTRUDE SHEA

ESSAY, The Winning of the West  
ANNA COLEMAN

ESSAY, Singleness of Purpose  
OLIVE LAPOLICE

OUT ON THE DEEP  
BOYS' CHORUS

VALEDICTORY, Don't Die On Third  
CARLTON WHITE

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS  
ROSWEIL ALLEN, Chairman of School Board

OH, ITALIA, BELOVED  
CHORUS

BENEDICTION  
REV. W. T. HALE

Miss S. Belle Snow, Organist  
Miss Doris Spellman, Pianist  
Mrs. Lucy A. Gatchel, Musical Director

Gounod

Mendelssohn

Sullivan

Lohr

Donizetti

## Graduates

Florence Ann Baggs  
Anna May Luthera Coleman  
Daniel Black Coleman  
Mary Gertrude Hanifin  
Marion Delia Ketchen  
Olive Ione Lapolice  
Gertrude Margaret Shea  
Minnie Sadie Stadler  
Edith May Thayer  
Carlton Eugene White

Carlton Eugene White, *President*  
Marion Delia Ketchen, *Vice-President*  
Olive Ione Lapolice, *Sec'y and Treasurer*

## Motto

"Climb Though The Way Be Rugged"

## Class Colors

Blue and White

## Class Flower

Forget-Me-Not

## SCHOOL RESOURCES.

|                                       |              |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Balance, Feb. 1, 1912,                | \$ 2,775.54  |
| Appropriation, March, 1912,           | 6,000.00     |
| Received from Bridgman fund,          | 242.40       |
| "    "    State School fund,          | 1,370.05     |
| "    "    State Superintendency fund, | 750.00       |
| "    "    State wards' tuition,       | 477.00       |
| "    "    State Industrial School,    | 19.50        |
| Balance from Longley fund, for music, | 87.29        |
| Interest available Feb. 1, 1913,      | 80.80        |
|                                       | <hr/>        |
|                                       | \$ 11,802.58 |

## SCHOOL EXPENDITURES.

|                                     |              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Teachers' wages from treasury,      | \$ 6,304.41  |
| "    "    "    Bridgman fund,       | 242.40       |
| "    "    "    Longley fund, music, | 90.00        |
| School supervision,                 | 1,215.00     |
| Books and supplies,                 | 858.74       |
| Fuel,                               | 641.41       |
| Janitors and janitors' supplies,    | 305.44       |
| Transportation,                     | 649.90       |
| Miscellaneous,                      | 187.94       |
|                                     | <hr/>        |
|                                     | \$ 10,495.24 |
| Unexpended balance,                 | \$ 1,303.44  |
|                                     | <hr/>        |
|                                     | \$ 11,802.58 |

## TOWN ACCOUNT.

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance, Mar. 1, 1912,       | \$ 136.96 |
| Appropriation, Mar. 1, 1912, | 50.00     |
| Overdrawn,                   | 300.95    |
| Paid H. L. Hadlock,          | \$ 131.87 |
| C. J. Lincoln,               | 1.00      |
| Thomas LaCross,              | .50       |

|                  |           |
|------------------|-----------|
| M. S. Barton,    | \$ 14.60  |
| E. Atwood,       | 18.00     |
| T. D. Potter,    | 100.18    |
| John Sullivan,   | 4.20      |
| R. E. Fairchild, | 7.60      |
| M. C. Bardwell,  | 6.75      |
| D. F. Austin,    | 4.40      |
| Henry Baggs,     | 4.00      |
| W. D. E. Morse,  | 1.00      |
| A. T. Sparrell,  | 16.00     |
| W. A. Kimball,   | 30.00     |
| J. S. Peck,      | 15.55     |
| D. L. Hazen,     | 89.65     |
| Roswell Allen,   | 42.61     |
|                  | <hr/>     |
|                  | \$ 487.91 |

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### SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

#### TEACHERS' WAGES.

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Walter F. Burt,        | \$ 1,100.00 |
| Helen J. Goodspeed,    | 621.52      |
| Irma Dyson,            | 115.79      |
| Ruth T. Abbott,        | 200.00      |
| Marion Bartlett, sub., | 212.50      |
| Katherine Sampson,     | 522.00      |
| S. Belle Snow,         | 350.00      |
| Emma Richardson,       | 190.00      |
| Rachel Lapolice,       | 190.00      |
| Nellie G. Shea,        | 315.00      |
| Nellie L. Sullivan,    | 313.50      |
| Agnes Dillon,          | 265.00      |
| Lily Barber,           | 59.00       |
| Roland Shaw,           | 253.80      |
| Elizabeth Shea, sub.,  | 36.00       |
| Elizabeth Doyle,       | 289.00      |
| Bridget Fitzgerald,    | 279.00      |



|                       |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| May Horr,             | \$ 226.20         |
| Ella Moriarty,        | 297.00            |
| Libbie Gutberlett,    | 157.50            |
| Edith Towne,          | 297.00            |
| Florence Gould,       | 21.00             |
| Lucy A. Gatchell,     | 107.00            |
| Sadie Demorest, sub., | 49.00             |
| Clifton Witt,         | 56.00             |
| Marion Ketchen,       | 114.00            |
|                       | <hr/> \$ 6,636.81 |

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 JANITORS.

|                    |                 |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| H. L. Hadlock,     | \$ 171.40       |
| Clarence Hathaway, | 12.00           |
| Edith Towne,       | 2.50            |
| Libbie Gutberlett, | 3.00            |
| Florence Gould,    | 2.50            |
| Clarence Pierce,   | .40             |
| Robert Hanifin,    | 2.50            |
| Elizabeth Doyle,   | 2.50            |
| Clifton Witt,      | 1.75            |
| Wm. Eno,           | .40             |
| Michael Cavanaugh, | 2.50            |
| Maurice O'Donnell, | 12.50           |
| James Sullivan,    | 10.00           |
| D. L. Hazen,       | 81.49           |
|                    | <hr/> \$ 305.44 |

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 TRANSPORTATION.

|                   |                 |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| W. A. Kimball,    | \$ 80.00        |
| W. L. Clough,     | 344.00          |
| B. F. Hubbard,    | 37.00           |
| E. E. Gay,        | 94.00           |
| Luella Bardwell,  | 7.50            |
| Louise Sherman,   | 40.00           |
| Franklin Fleming, | 47.40           |
|                   | <hr/> \$ 649.90 |

## SCHOOL SUPERVISION.

|                          |                   |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Alvan R. Lewis,          | \$ 1,080.00       |
| Roswell Allen,           | 30.00             |
| R. E. Fairchild,         | 25.00             |
| James S. Peck,           | 25.00             |
| M. A. Morse,             | 10.00             |
| James L. Collard, M. D., | 25.00             |
| D. F. Sumway,            | 20.00             |
|                          | <hr/> \$ 1,215.00 |

## BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| N. W. Farrar,         | \$ 38.50        |
| D. L. Hazen,          | 73.77           |
| E. C. Babb & Co.,     | 488.28          |
| L. E. Knott,          | 22.69           |
| D. E. Heath,          | 60.38           |
| American Book Co.,    | 17.12           |
| Milton Bradley Co.,   | 21.65           |
| Ginn & Co.,           | 97.12           |
| B. H. Sanborn,        | 10.00           |
| F. H. Brown,          | 3.00            |
| Houghton Mifflin Co., | 1.80            |
| Silver Burdett,       | 2.37            |
| Allyn & Bacon,        | 20.45           |
| C. C. Birchard,       | 1.61            |
|                       | <hr/> \$ 858.74 |

## FUEL.

|                    |           |
|--------------------|-----------|
| E. F. Flaherty,    | \$ 123.00 |
| Robert Hanifin,    | 2.50      |
| R. E. Fairchild,   | 43.57     |
| Thomas O'Connor,   | 2.00      |
| G. S. Warner,      | 9.50      |
| Michael Cavanaugh, | 2.50      |
| Anthony Wludyka,   | 3.00      |

|                     |           |           |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| E. A. Fuller & Co., | \$ 310.84 |           |
| James Sullivan,     | 3.00      |           |
| L. A. Randolph,     | 5.00      |           |
| W. A. Sauer,        | 15.75     |           |
| E. A. Randall,      | 15.00     |           |
| M. W. Bardwell,     | 12.00     |           |
| W. D. E. Morse,     | 60.00     |           |
| E. E. Mead,         | 15.00     |           |
| C. W. Darling,      | 2.00      |           |
| A. L. Kimball,      | 10.00     |           |
| E. F. Shumway,      | 5.00      |           |
| Pratt Bros.,        | 1.75      |           |
|                     | <hr/>     | \$ 641.41 |

## MISCELLANEOUS.

|                                   |          |           |
|-----------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| C. J. Phillips, tuning pianos,    | \$ 10.00 |           |
| Johanna Sullivan, labor,          | 3.00     |           |
| W. S. Piper, teaming,             | 11.75    |           |
| A. R. Lewis, expenses,            | 7.10     |           |
| D. L. Hazen, chairs and supplies, | 42.00    |           |
| M. M. Welch Co., diplomas,        | 25.03    |           |
| Cong. Church, rent,               | 5.00     |           |
| Hattie Engleman, labor,           | 1.50     |           |
| W. S. Hale, expenses,             | 4.96     |           |
| Lewis Blackmer, printing,         | 13.40    |           |
| C. B. Dolge, floor dressing,      | 13.50    |           |
| J. B. Shea, posts,                | 3.20     |           |
| Geo. Claflin, labor,              | 4.20     |           |
| Wicenty Rys, labor,               | 6.50     |           |
| R. E. Fairchild, rope,            | 7.15     |           |
| “ athletic supplies,              | 29.65    |           |
|                                   | <hr/>    | \$ 187.94 |

## BRIDGMAN FUND.

|                                 |           |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Interest received,              |           | \$ 242.40 |
| Paid toward teachers' salaries, | \$ 242.40 |           |
|                                 | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |
|                                 | \$ 242.40 | \$ 242.40 |



## LONGLEY FUND.

|                                         |           |           |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Balance, Feb. 1, 1912,                  |           | \$ 87.29  |
| Interest available, Feb. 1, 1913,       |           | 80.80     |
| Paid for teaching music in High school, | \$ 90.00  |           |
| Balance, Feb. 1, 1913,                  | 78.09     |           |
|                                         | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |
|                                         | \$ 168.09 | \$ 168.09 |

It will be noted that school expenses have been somewhat more than would naturally be expected. This is partly due to expense incurred in providing temporary accommodations for the Franklin school, also carrying to our 1913 expense account a portion of what, under former systems of closing the fiscal year Feb. 15, would have appeared on the 1912 report, also teachers' wages for lost time, caused by repairs on the High school building, and made up during the year, all amounting to more than \$ 1,000.00

The modern heating plant we were obliged to install at the High school has not proved entirely satisfactory, the fuel bill has doubled and the distribution of the heat has not been the same to all the rooms, one in particular having seemed almost out of the system. Experts have suggested several expensive plans that "might remedy it." Several inexpensive changes in the system have been made and conditions seem so much improved that better results are hoped for in the future. We will not be satisfied till it works satisfactorily.

It has seemed best to close some of the smaller schools and consolidate by transporting the pupils to the center schools or to adjoining districts. East Hill and Mill Valley have long been closed, the probability of ever again desiring these buildings for school purposes seems very remote, so the disposition of same is presented for your consideration. Holyoke, Laurel and Rock Rimmon schools are on the retired list for the present, while Blue Meadow seems likely to be in line for transportation to the center.

Some of the school houses now in use will need repairs, and, with the ever increasing tendency to consolidate, only such repairs as are strictly necessary are contemplated. Our most modern, and easily the best school house outside the center, the Franklin, was burned by in-

cendary fire, Sunday morning, Nov. 17, 1912. With labor and building materials at the present high prices, this loss falls upon us heavily.

The "high cost of living" has pervaded all ranks and we now have to pay our teachers more than used to be the rule. Wherever practical to close a school that has very small attendance and transport to a large school, that will not be over crowded in consequence, better results are usually attained as a keener interest is developed along with an ambition to keep up with class-mates.

We are little by little being put under state control in educational matters. The State Board of Education want the power to dictate what must be taught and what teachers we may hire. Individuality is lost sight of and old methods, long proven practical, are in many cases displaced for new theories. We are fortunate in retaining the services of a Supt., who is in touch with the new and familiar with the old systems.

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#### APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED.

For support of schools, to include teachers' wages, high school ( 40 ) weeks, common schools ( 36 ) weeks, transportation, cost of fuel, books, supplies, incidentals, salary of school committee, supt., truant officers, school physician and janitors,

\$ 7,000.00

For repairs,

250.00

ROSWELL ALLEN,  
R. E. FAIRCHILD,  
JAMES S. PECK,

}  
} *School  
Committee.*

# SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE,

For year ending June 30, 1912.

| SCHOOLS                      | Whole Number. | No. enrolled. | No. over 15. | No. between 5 and 15. | No. between 7 and 14. | Av. Membership. | Av. Attendance. |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| High. . . . .                | 61            | 61            | 40           | 21                    | 9                     | 56              | 54              |
| Center Grammar. . . . .      | 39            | 37            | 5            | 32                    | 30                    | 31              | 28              |
| Center Intermediate. . . . . | 32            | 32            | 2            | 30                    | 30                    | 32              | 29              |
| Center Primary. . . . .      | 54            | 47            | 0            | 48                    | 28                    | 50              | 44              |
| Cold Spring. . . . .         | 14            | 13            | 0            | 13                    | 7                     | 10              | 10              |
| Franklin Grammar . . . . .   | 33            | 31            | 0            | 31                    | 31                    | 27              | 26              |
| Franklin Primary . . . . .   | 43            | 40            | 0            | 40                    | 27                    | 35              | 33              |
| Liberty. . . . .             | 36            | 32            | 0            | 32                    | 30                    | 30              | 28              |
| Washington. . . . .          | 27            | 26            | 0            | 26                    | 25                    | 22              | 19              |
| Rock Rimmon . . . . .        |               |               |              |                       |                       |                 |                 |
| Chestnut Hill . . . . .      | 20            | 19            | 0            | 19                    | 18                    | 16              | 14              |
| Holyoke . . . . .            |               |               |              |                       |                       |                 |                 |
| Federal . . . . .            | 21            | 18            | 0            | 18                    | 18                    | 19              | 18              |
| Lake Vale. . . . .           | 27            | 23            | 0            | 22                    | 21                    | 19              | 18              |
| Union. . . . .               | 17            | 17            | 1            | 16                    | 14                    | 15              | 13              |
| West Hill . . . . .          | 13            | 11            | 1            | 10                    | 9                     | 9               | 7               |
| East Hill. . . . .           |               |               |              |                       |                       |                 |                 |
| Laurel. . . . .              |               |               |              |                       |                       |                 |                 |
| Blue Meadow . . . . .        | 13            | 12            | 1            | 11                    | 10                    | 11              | 10              |
|                              | 450           | 419           | 50           | 369                   | 307                   | 382             | 351             |



## Roll of Honor.

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### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE TWO YEARS.

|            |               |
|------------|---------------|
| Henry Rys, | Walter Dodge. |
|------------|---------------|

### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE ONE YEAR.

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|-----------------|---------------------|
| Blake Jackson,  | Maurice Fitzgerald, |
| Agnes Hanifin,  | Michael Shea,       |
| Polly Libida,   | Olive Isaacs,       |
| Mabel Randolph, | William Austin.     |

### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE TWO TERMS.

|                    |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Walter Cooke,      | Waring Randall,   |
| Luella Bardwell,   | Emma Stadler,     |
| Susie Squires,     | Chester Cooke,    |
| Alvin Michel,      | Floyd Peeso,      |
| Gerald Vorce,      | Alice Flaherty,   |
| Irene Hanifin,     | Helen Sufuaski,   |
| Jennie Wludika,    | Mae LaCross,      |
| Patrick Landers,   | Stanley Lebida,   |
| Katie Kroll,       | Helen Rys,        |
| Veronica Patruski, | Josie Shea,       |
| Edward Kroll,      | Bernard Keyes,    |
| Bernard Bowler,    | Morris Landers,   |
| Paul Austin,       | Howard Pease,     |
| Emma Dodge,        | Edward Isaacs,    |
| John Duscha,       | Herbert Randolph. |

Bridgie Smith.

## PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE ONE TERM.

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|---------------------|----------------------|
| Florence Baggs,     | Lewis Dodge,         |
| Beatrice Squires,   | Dorothy Thompson,    |
| Olive Demorest,     | May Sullivan,        |
| Belding Jackson,    | Edith Marsh,         |
| William Bridgman,   | Laura Terwilliger,   |
| Catherine McKillop, | Mildred Terwilliger, |
| Jessie Orlando,     | Herbert Bardwell,    |
| Celinda Clough,     | Paul Aldrich,        |
| Bertha Cooke,       | Robert Dunbar,       |
| Timothy Maloney,    | George Dewey,        |
| Robert Goyette,     | William Squires,     |
| George Ardell,      | Joe Rys,             |
| Nellie Landers,     | Jessie Sufuaski,     |
| Rose Smith,         | Anna Kennedy,        |
| Peter Wludyka,      | Staffie Murray,      |
| Stanley Lebida,     | Mildred Sullivan,    |
| Anna Sullivan,      | Brouka Kulic,        |
| Michael Landers,    | Anthony Lebida,      |
| John Shea,          | Zofia Gula,          |
| Michael Keyes,      | Edward Kulic,        |
| Anthony Murray,     | Amelia Patruski,     |
| Nattie Smith,       | John Sullivan,       |
| James Sullivan,     | Jerry Sullivan,      |
| James McLean,       | Elizabeth Gula,      |
| Helen Austin,       | Catherine Austin,    |
| Lucy Bowler,        | Daniel McDonald,     |
| Fred Quinn,         | Amerigo Taranta,     |
| Annie Waihoha,      | Nellie Cavanaugh,    |
| Harold Earle,       | Wilfred Noel,        |
| Bertha Kenfield,    | Arthur Farley,       |
| Willie Engleman,    | Ernest Dyon,         |
| George Lonzo,       | Gregory Kozup,       |
| David Keefe,        | Evanie Boivin,       |
| Henry Pranaitis,    |                      |

# Town Warrant.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,  
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections, and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday the third day of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

ART. 3. To choose the following named town officers: A Town Clerk, three Selectmen, a Treasurer, an Auditor, five Constables, a Tax Collector, all for one year; One School Committee for three years, and one Burial Ground Commissioner for three years, one Assessor for three years; also to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town, vote "yes" or "no," all on one ballot in accordance with the Australian ballot system, adopted by the town, November 4, 1890.



ART. 4. To choose the following named town officers by nomination: One Tree Warden, three Fence Viewers, eight Measurers of Wood, eight Surveyors of Lumber, six Field Drivers, two Almoners of the Whiting Street Fund, and Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Fund, all for one year, and one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

ART. 5. To raise money for the support of schools, to include the cost of fuel, school books, and other supplies, and transportation, also salaries of teachers, School Committee, Superintendent, Truant Officers, Janitors and incidentals.

ART. 6. To raise money for the repair of school-houses.

ART. 7. To raise money to defray pauper expenses.

ART. 8. To raise money to defray town expenses.

ART. 9. To raise money to repair highways and bridges and to take such action as the town shall deem best.

ART. 10. To see if the town will vote to pay for the bonds of the Treasurer.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to pay for the bonds, stationery and postage of the Tax Collector, in addition to his salary of one hundred dollars.

ART. 12. To see what action the town will take in regard to the use and care of the town house.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise money to defray the expense of lighting the streets for the year ensuing, and take any action relative thereto.

ART. 14. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the taxes of the municipal year beginning Feb. 1, 1913, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 18,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year.

ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to fix the time when all taxes must be paid, also to see if the town will allow a discount on all taxes paid on or before a certain date or dates, and act thereon.

ART. 16. To see if the town will employ a person to ring the bell and care for the town clock, and act thereon.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee of three, to be known as the committee on appropriations, who shall carefully investigate, and report to the next annual meeting the amounts needed in the several departments to be expended the ensuing year.

ART. 18. To see if the town will raise money to defray the expense of mowing, fencing and keeping in repair the several burying grounds, and act thereon.

ART. 19. To raise the sum of \$ 1500.00 to meet a note due at Amherst Saving Bank, Jan. 26, 1914.

ART. 20. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 400.00 to pay discount on notes.

ART. 21. To see if the town will raise a sum of money to aid in the suppression of the Brown Tail Moth as required in chapter 381, acts of 1905, and amendments thereto.

ART. 22. To hear the report of any committee or committees whose duty it may be to report at this meeting.

ART. 23. To hear the report of the selectmen on guide boards.

ART. 24. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 250.00 in addition to the same amount raised last year to meet the expense of painting the town hall and town farm buildings and making other necessary repairs.

ART. 25. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 150.00 for spraying trees on the park and main streets.

ART. 26. To see if the town will raise a sum of money to buy more fire extinguishers and other supplies for fighting fires.

ART. 27. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$ 50.00 for the G. A. R., memorial day exercises of Post 97.

ART. 28. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 250.00 to build a cinder walk in South Belchertown beginning at the town line and continuing as far north as the appropriated sum will go. Agreeable to a petition of F. E. Higgins and ten others.

ART. 29. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 223.70 to pay W. F. Brainard for civil engineering and drawing plans for a water supply in 1908.



ART. 30. To see if the town will raise a sum of money to make repairs on sidewalks and act thereon.

ART. 31. To see if the town will enter into and execute a contract with the Belchertown Water Co., a corporation created under chapter 350 of the acts of 1912, to supply and furnish the town with water for any term of years or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 32. To see if the town will grant permission to the Belchertown Water Co., a corporation created under chapter 350 of the acts of 1912, to erect and maintain a stand pipe, or tank and tower, on land belonging to the town of Belchertown, and situated in the rear of the town hall, so-called, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 33. To see if the town will vote to abate the taxes assessed or to be assessed upon property or otherwise of the Belchertown Water Co., a corporation created under chapter 350 of the acts of 1912, for any term of years, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 34. To see what disposition the town will vote to make of the East Hill school-house, and act thereon.

ART. 35. To see what disposition the town will make of the Mill Valley school-house and act thereon.

ART. 36. To see what provisions the town will make for a school-house in Franklin district, and take action in regard to same.

ART. 37. To see if the town will vote that from now henceforth all bills incurred by this town, shall be paid by the town treasurer when same bears the approval of the proper official or officials, that said bill shall be paid to the person or persons designated, and their receipts taken therefor. If not paid to them in person that the treasurer shall pay them by check.

ART. 38. To see if the town will appoint its three selectmen, or otherwise an investment committee, whose duty it shall be to safely invest the various bequests and trust funds belonging to the town, and to make a separate detailed report annually of each fund, said report to be published in the annual report of town officers, and take any action relative thereto.

ART. 39. To see what action the town will take in regard to disposing of or leasing the town farm, and to choose a committee or



committees necessary to carry out the vote of the town and to take any action relative to the matter.

ART. 40. To see if the town will vote to dispose of its several wood lots and pasture lands and to choose any committee to carry out its vote.

ART. 41. To see what action the town will take in regard to the disposal of the personal property at the town farm and act thereon.

ART. 42. To see what action the town will take in regard to the care of its paupers for the year ensuing.

ART. 43. To see what action the town will take regarding the proceeds of the sale of any part of the town property mentioned in the preceeding articles, and act thereon.

ART. 44. To see what action the town will take in regard to the care and use of the hearse.

ART. 45. To see if the town will favor the securing of a teacher to instruct in agriculture at the high school and elsewhere, with the understanding that the state is to reimburse the town by paying two thirds of the salary of such teacher, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 46. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Polls to be opened at 10.30 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 3 o'clock P. M., unless otherwise ordered by vote of the town.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight, and one at Tylerville, seven days before the time of holding the aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of February A. D. 1913.

|               |   |                                          |
|---------------|---|------------------------------------------|
| E. R. PEESO,  | } | <i>Selectmen<br/>of<br/>Belchertown.</i> |
| J. J. GARVEY, |   |                                          |
| F. M. FULLER, |   |                                          |













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## Minutes of Town Meeting, held March 3, 1913.

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Meeting called to order at 10-15 o'clock by Town Clerk Arthur Bridgman who read the warrant and then called for action under article one.

### ARTICLE 1.

Moderator, G. H. B. Green.

Prayer was offered by Rev. E. P. Kelly

### ARTICLE 2.

Voted to waive the reading of all reports and then voted to accept them in their regular order.

### ARTICLE 3.

Ballot Clerks, Tellers, and Counters sworn, ballots delivered to Ballot clerks and receipt taken. Keys to ballot box given to M. S. Barton, constable, ballot box opened and found empty, polls opened at 10-30.

Ballot clerks, J. C. O'Donnell and M. E. Williams.

Tellers, E. L. Schmidt and H. M. Aldrich.

Gate keepers, E. E. Stebbins and John F. Kennedy.

Counters, H. F. Shaw, M. G. Ward, Alvin R. Lewis, and Daniel F. O'Connor.

## ARTICLE 4.

Tree Warden, James A. Peeso.

Fence Viewers, A. L. Pratt, George L. Witt, W. M. Goodell,

## 8 Measurers of Wood.

Frank Austin

James A. Peeso

E. A. R. Fairchild

Lyman Randolph

W. M. Goodell

E. A. Fuller

M. A. Morse

E. F. Shumway

## 8 Surveyors of Lumber.

E. F. Flaherty

E. E. Snow

Lyman Randolph

James A. Peeso

E. R. Peeso

E. F. Shumway

H. S. Pratt

F. M. Fuller

## 6 Field Drivers.

W. S. Piper

H. W. Conkey

Austin Kimball

E. E. Gay

Ashley Randall

E. L. Schmidt

## 2 Almoners of Whiting Street &amp;

Mrs. S. M. D. Bridgman Fund.

Mrs. M. A. Morse

Mrs. Myron G. Ward

Trustee for Calvin Bridgman

Fund for 3yrs.

George H. B. Green

## ARTICLE 5.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 6,500.00 for support of schools.

## ARTICLE 6.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 200.00 for repairs of school houses.

## ARTICLE 7.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 1,000.00 for pauper expenses.

## ARTICLE 8.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 2,000.00 for town expenses.

## ARTICLE 9.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 3,500.00 for highways and bridges.

## ARTICLE 10.

Voted to pay \$ 25.00 for treasurer's bond.

## ARTICLE 11.

Voted to pay \$ 35.00 for tax collector's bond, stationery, postage, etc.

## ARTICLE 12.

Voted to leave the care of the town hall with the Selectmen.

## ARTICLE 13.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 375.00 to defray the expense of lighting the streets.

## ARTICLE 14.

Voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the taxes of the municipal year beginning Feb. 1, 1913, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 18,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the taxes of said municipal year.

## ARTICLE 15.

Voted that a discount of 2 per cent be allowed on all taxes paid on or before Oct. 1st, 1 per cent before Nov. 1st, and interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum be charged on all taxes after Dec. 1st, 1913 (same as last year.)

## ARTICLE 16.

Voted to leave with the Selectmen, the ringing of the bell and care of town clock.

## ARTICLE 17.

Voted to choose a committee of three to be known as the committee on appropriations, who shall report at the next annual meeting the amount needed in the several departments and the following persons were chosen, M. S. Barton, M. G. Ward and Guy C. Allen.

## ARTICLE 18.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 50.00 to defray the expense of mowing, fencing and keeping in repair the several burying grounds.



## ARTICLE 19.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 1500.00 to meet a note due at Amherst Savings Bank, January 26, 1914.

## ARTICLE 20.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 400.00 to pay discount on notes.

## ARTICLE 21.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 200.00 to aid in the suppression of the brown tail moth.

## ARTICLE 22.

Voted to pass over the article.

## ARTICLE 23.

Voted to lay on the table.

## ARTICLE 24.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 250.00 in addition to the same amount raised last year to meet the expense of painting the town hall and town farm buildings and making other necessary repairs.

## ARTICLE 25.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 150.00 for spraying trees on the park and main streets.

## ARTICLE 26.

Voted to lay on the table.

## ARTICLE 27.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 50.00 for G. A. R. Post No. 97 for Memorial Day.

## ARTICLE 28.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 250.00 to build a cinder walk in South Belchertown beginning at the town line and continuing as far north as the appropriated sum will go.

Voted to suspend action on Art. 29, and take up Art. 46.

## ARTICLE 46.

Mr. M. A. Morse spoke on the prospect of a trolley line from South Hadley, through Granby, Belchertown, and Enfield.

Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate \$ 75.00 to pay the membership fee of \$ 50.00 to the Hill Town Trolley Association and \$ 25.00 to defray other expenses in relation to the Granby, Belchertown and Enfield trolley line.

#### ARTICLE 29.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 223.70 to pay W. F. Brainard for civil engineering and drawing plans for a water supply in 1908.

At 3 o'clock voted to keep the polls open until 4 o'clock and to take up Art. 31.

#### ARTICLE 31.

Voted that the town by its Selectmen, enter into and execute a contract with the Belchertown Water Co., a corporation created under Chapter 350, of the Acts of 1912, for a supply of water for the extinguishment of fires, that the town take thirty (30) hydrants for the term of five (5) years and pay said Belchertown Water Co., the sum of \$ 25.00 per year for each hydrant providing said hydrants comply with and are maintained according to the rules of the insurance underwriters.

#### ARTICLE 30.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 300.00 to repair sidewalks.

#### ARTICLE 32.

Voted to grant permission to the Belchertown Water Co., to erect and maintain a stand pipe, or tank and tower on land belonging to the town of Belchertown and situated in rear of town hall, and that the location shall be under the direction of the Selectmen.

#### ARTICLE 33.

Voted that the town will abate the taxes assessed or to be assessed upon property of the Belchertown Water Company, a corporation created under Chapter 350, Acts of 1912, for a term of ten (10) years.

#### ARTICLE 34.

Voted to indefinitely postpone action in regard to East Hill School house.

At 4 o'clock voted to extend the time for voting until 4.30 o'clock.

## ARTICLE 35

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

## ARTICLE 36.

Voted in regard to the Franklin school house that a committee of three be appointed, that the school committee be that committee, to investigate and report at an adjourned meeting March 24, at 1 o'clock, and that we suspend further action.

## ARTICLE 3.

At 8.30 o'clock the counting of the ballots being completed the moderator announced as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, males 333, females 3.

## TOWN CLERK.

Arthur Bridgman, 267 votes, blanks 65.

## SELECTMEN.

|                                  |                            |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| E. A. Rudd Fairchild, 198 votes, | John J. Garvey, 239 votes, |
| Edwin F. Shumway, 192 votes,     | Fred M. Fuller, 81 votes,  |
| James S. Peck, 66 votes,         | Asa Smith, 66 votes,       |
| E. C. Witt, 1 vote,              | Blanks 156.                |

## TREASURER.

Arthur Bridgman, 283 votes, blanks 50.

## AUDITOR.

George F. Lincoln, 243 votes, blanks 90.

## TAX COLLECTOR.

George S. Warner, 292 votes, blanks 41.

## CONSTABLES.

|                              |                            |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Daniel F. Austin, 152 votes, | M. F. Austin, 146 votes,   |
| M. S. Barton, 174 votes,     | E. F. Flaherty, 156 votes, |
| A. L. Kimball, 95 votes,     | Henry M. Lamson, 82 votes, |
| Herbert D. Peeso, 131 votes, | James A. Peeso, 146 votes, |
| Roy G. Shaw, 174 votes,      | Blanks 409.                |



## ASSESSOR for 3 years.

|                 |            |                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|-----------------|------------|
| Frank Austin,   | 140 votes, | Austin Kimball, | 109 votes, |
| Almon L. Pratt, | 42 votes,  | Blanks          | 42.        |

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

|                |      |                   |      |        |     |
|----------------|------|-------------------|------|--------|-----|
| Roswell Allen, | 148, | Andrew J. Sayers, | 147, | Blanks | 41. |
|----------------|------|-------------------|------|--------|-----|

## BURIAL GROUND COMMISSIONER 3 years.

|                    |            |                 |           |
|--------------------|------------|-----------------|-----------|
| Alfred H. Hubbard, | 213 votes, | G. H. B. Green, | 48 votes, |
| Blanks             |            | 72.             |           |

License, yes 159, no 167, blanks 7.

Meeting adjourned to March 24, 1913, 1 o'clock P. M.

## Adjourned Town Meeting

### March 24, 1913.

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Meeting called to order at 10 o'clock by Moderator Geo. H. B. Green, and voted to suspend action until more were present.

#### ARTICLE 36.

At 1.15 o'clock proceeded to take up Article 36.

Voted to accept the report of the committee in regard to Franklin school house.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3700.00 and that the School Committee be a committee for building and limited the amount, not to exceed \$3800.00 for the building and \$800.00 for heating and furnishing, and take \$650.00 from the \$1200.00 now in the treasury received for insurance on the Franklin school house.

#### ARTICLE 37.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

#### ARTICLE 38.

Voted to instruct the selectmen on or before May 1st, 1913, to appoint an investment committee of three:— one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, and that annually thereafter on May 1st, there shall be one member appointed for a term of three years. The duty of said investment committee shall be to safely invest all funds now held or which may hereafter be held by the town, not definitely provided for by will or otherwise, and shall make a separate detailed report of each one to be published in the annual town report.

ARTICLE 39.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

ARTICLE 40.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

ARTICLE 41.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

ARTICLE 26.

Voted to take up Article 26, and then voted to appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to buy more fire extinguishers and other supplies for fighting fires.

ARTICLE 9.

Voted to take up Article 9, and then voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 appropriated to the several highway districts be spent in permanent repairs and the location and cost of said repairs be published in the next annual town report.

ARTICLE 42.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

ARTICLE 43.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

ARTICLE 44.

Voted to leave the care and use of the hearse with the selectmen.

ARTICLE 45.

Voted to lay on the table.

ARTICLE 28.

Voted to rescind the vote whereby \$250.00 was voted for a cinder walk in south Belchertown.

Meeting dissolved at 4.30 o'clock.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk.*



# Warrant for Special Town Meeting.

July 11, 1913.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,  
in said County,*

GREETING,

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Belchertown, on Wednesday, the twenty-third day of July next, at three o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ART. 1 To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 To see if the town will vote to increase the appropriation made for rebuilding the Franklin school house, fifteen hundred dollars additional being necessary.

ART. 3 To see if the town will vote to shingle the north side of the Town Hall.

ART. 4 To see if the town will appropriate four hundred dollars (\$ 400.00 ) for street lights.

ART. 5 To see if the town will vote to acquire by purchase or otherwise from Mary A. Demarest or the person who may own the same, a parcel of land adjoining Mt. Hope Cemetery on the southerly side thereof for the purpose of an-addition to said cemetery.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight, and one at Tylerville, seven days before the time of holding the aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your

doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this eleventh day of July A. D. 1913.

|                     |   |                                         |
|---------------------|---|-----------------------------------------|
| E. A. R. FAIRCHILD, | } | <i>Selectmen<br/>of<br/>Belchertown</i> |
| J. J. GARVEY,       |   |                                         |
| E. F. SHUMWAY,      |   |                                         |

By virtue of the above warrant, I have posted attested copies thereof at the places designated, seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

MYRON S. BARTON, *Constable.*

Belchertown, July 16, 1913.

#### DOINGS ON THE WARRANT.

July 23, 1913.

Meeting called to order at 3.00 o'clock by A. Bridgman, Town Clerk, who read the warrant and called for action under article one.

##### ARTICLE 1.

Moderator chosen, Geo. H. B. Green.

##### ARTICLE 2.

Voted to postpone action until next March meeting.

##### ARTICLE 3.

Voted to shingle the north side of the Town Hall and leave with the Selectmen to use their judgment what kind of shingle to use.

##### ARTICLE 4.

Voted to appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for lighting the streets.

##### ARTICLE 5.

Voted to indefinitely postpone action.

Motion was made by M. A. Morse to change the names of the Ponds which have been known as the Bridgman Ponds, situated in the north part of the town, and it was voted to change to Lake Metacomet, Lake Arcadia, and Holland Lake, and a committee of three to consist of J. W. Jackson, D. D. Hazen and Mrs. M. D. S. Longley be a committee to see that they are properly marked.

No other business coming before said meeting, at 5.00 o'clock voted to adjourn without date.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk.*



# Warrant for Special Town Meeting.

Nov. 4, 1913.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,  
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Belchertown, on Tuesday, the fourth day of November next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will vote to allow the fire department the use of the Engine House Hall, which was originally built for that purpose in conjunction with the Grand Army, and act thereon.

ART. 3. To see what action the town will take in regard to wiring the Hall for electric lights: agreeable to a petition of J. A. Peeso and eleven others.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight, and one at Tylerville, seven days before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this the twenty-third day of October, 1913.

E. A. R. FAIRCHILD,  
EDWARD F. SHUMWAY,  
J. J. GARVEY,

}  
}  
}

*Selectmen  
of  
Belchertown.*



By virtue of this writ, I have posted attested copies thereof at the places designated seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

M. S. BARTON, *Constable.*

# DOINGS ON THE WARRANT.

Nov. 4, 1913.

## ARTICLE 1.

Moderator chosen, E. A. R. Fairchild.

## ARTICLE 2.

Voted to pass over the article and that the Selectmen procure quarters for the firemen until next March meeting; and that the Selectmen offer Five Hundred Dollars ( \$ 500.00 ) reward for the conviction of the person causing the fire at M. A. Morse's.

## ARTICLE 3.

Voted to indefinitely postpone action.

At 4.00 o'clock voted to keep the polls open until 4.30 o'clock.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk.*

## Collector's Report.

|                                                                                          |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Balance in Collector's hands Feb. 1st, 1913, for tax 1912,                               | \$ 3,346.52  |
| He has collected interest to the amount of                                               | 97.33        |
| Amount of added assessments,                                                             | 12.00        |
|                                                                                          | <hr/>        |
| Total,                                                                                   | \$ 3,455.85  |
| He has paid the Treasurer,                                                               | \$ 3,455.85  |
| The amount committed to your Collector as per Assessors' warrant dated Aug. 4, 1913,     | \$ 24,367.12 |
| Amount of added assessments,                                                             | 43.48        |
| “ “ sidewalk tax,                                                                        | 55.00        |
| Interest collected on taxes from Dec. 1, 1913, to Feb. 2, 1914, as per vote of the town, | 11.67        |
|                                                                                          | <hr/>        |
| Total,                                                                                   | \$ 24,477.27 |
| He has collected and paid to the Treasurer,                                              | \$ 19,319.92 |
| He has allowed a discount to tax payers according to the vote of the town, amounting to  | 255.17       |
|                                                                                          | <hr/>        |
|                                                                                          | \$ 19,575.09 |
| Balance in Collector's hands,                                                            | \$ 4,902.18  |

GEORGE S. WARNER, *Collector.*

Audited Feb. 7, 1914.

## Report of Supt. of Highways.

### DISTRICT NO. 1.

|                                  |           |           |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Paid D. F. Shumway               | \$ 121.13 |           |
| W. S. Piper                      | 49.12     |           |
| Chas. Capper                     | 3.50      |           |
| Phinian Vance                    | 2.00      |           |
| E. M. Howe                       | 3.94      |           |
| E. F. Munsell                    | 12.61     |           |
| Henry Greely                     | 2.04      |           |
| John Brown                       | .50       |           |
| For gravel                       | 2.20      |           |
| Geo. Oliver                      | 47.60     |           |
| Jos. Lapolice                    | 36.99     |           |
| Jos. Archambault, cutting brush, | 1.75      |           |
| John Monahan, cutting brush,     | 1.75      |           |
|                                  |           | \$ 285.13 |

### DISTRICT NO. 2.

|                              |         |          |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Paid W. S. Piper, and teams, | \$ 4.40 |          |
| H. H. Witt                   | 22.50   |          |
| Geo. Akers                   | 30.00   |          |
| A. L. Lovett                 | 8.75    |          |
| H. W. Conkey                 | 5.25    |          |
| Wm. Lowell                   | 3.50    |          |
| F. S. Wilson                 | 10.51   |          |
| Frank Rhodes                 | 1.25    |          |
| Geo. Claflin                 | .60     |          |
| H. M. Jepson                 | 3.00    |          |
|                              |         | \$ 89.76 |



## DISTRICT NO. 3.

|                   |          |          |
|-------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid W. S. Piper, | \$ 29.25 |          |
| H. H. Witt        | 6.75     |          |
| Geo. Akers        | 6.75     |          |
| Geo. Claflin      | 9.35     |          |
| D. P. Spencer     | 4.00     |          |
| F. Rhodes         | 3.50     |          |
| F. S. Wilson      | 2.62     |          |
| Geo. Harvey       | 1.75     |          |
| A. L. Slater      | 1.75     |          |
| H. D. Paine       | 6.77     |          |
| Austin Kimball    | 2.50     |          |
|                   | <hr/>    | \$ 74.99 |

## DISTRICT NO. 4.

|                  |         |          |
|------------------|---------|----------|
| Paid W. S. Piper | \$ 1.25 |          |
| Geo. Akers       | 13.50   |          |
| H. H. Witt       | 13.50   |          |
| F. S. Wilson     | 5.25    |          |
| Almon Lovett     | 3.50    |          |
| Sandy Crump      | 1.75    |          |
|                  | <hr/>   | \$ 38.75 |

## DISTRICT NO. 5.

|                               |          |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid H. H. Witt               | \$ 15.50 |          |
| E. C. Witt                    | 13.50    |          |
| Geo. Akers                    | 6.75     |          |
| Geo. Akers, filling wash-out, | 3.50     |          |
| Peter Pierce                  | 5.25     |          |
| Rufus Pierce                  | 5.25     |          |
| F. S. Wilson                  | 4.21     |          |
| W. S. Piper                   | 5.00     |          |
| Geo. Claflin                  | 1.75     |          |
| W. S. Colgrove                | .50      |          |
| Geo. Akers, filling wash-out  | 2.00     |          |
|                               | <hr/>    | \$ 63.21 |

## DISTRICT NO. 6.

|                 |          |           |
|-----------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid H. H. Witt | \$ 31.50 |           |
| Geo. Akers      | 31.50    |           |
| F. S. Wilson    | 12.25    |           |
| A. S. Lovett    | 13.65    |           |
| Alvin Lovett    | 8.75     |           |
| F. Rhodes       | 1.75     |           |
| W. S. Piper     | 11.50    |           |
| A. L. Slater    | 1.75     |           |
| Geo. Claflin    | 2.63     |           |
|                 | <hr/>    | \$ 115.28 |

## DISTRICT NO. 7.

|                 |          |          |
|-----------------|----------|----------|
| Paid H. H. Witt | \$ 11.25 |          |
| Geo. Akers      | 11.25    |          |
| Wm. Lowell      | 7.00     |          |
| Almon Lovett    | 7.00     |          |
| F. S. Wilson    | 4.38     |          |
| Dwight Jepson   | 4.38     |          |
| W. S. Piper     | 2.50     |          |
|                 | <hr/>    | \$ 47.76 |

## DISTRICT NO. 8.

|                     |          |          |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid H. H. Witt     | \$ 11.25 |          |
| Geo. Akers          | 18.65    |          |
| Dwight Jepson       | 2.62     |          |
| F. S. Wilson        | 7.01     |          |
| W. S. Piper and man | 12.25    |          |
| Geo. Claflin        | 1.75     |          |
| Frank Rhodes        | .50      |          |
| W. E. Mansfield     | 2.89     |          |
| Herbert Pervier     | 2.00     |          |
|                     | <hr/>    | \$ 58.92 |

## DISTRICT NO. 9.

|                           |          |  |
|---------------------------|----------|--|
| Paid H. M. Lamson and man | \$ 33.47 |  |
| C. Lamson                 | 14.00    |  |
| A. F. Lamson              | 5.44     |  |
| Geo. Hawkins              | 5.44     |  |

|                   |         |          |
|-------------------|---------|----------|
| Paid F. C. Clough | \$ 3.10 |          |
| W. S. Piper       | 2.25    |          |
| Geo. Claflin      | .75     |          |
|                   | <hr/>   | \$ 64.45 |

## DISTRICT NO. 10.

|                  |           |           |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Paid W. A. Sauer | \$ 120.60 |           |
| Ashley Randall   | 35.95     |           |
| E. A. Smith      | 8.75      |           |
| Chas. Austin     | 4.65      |           |
| Wm. Holcomb      | 21.25     |           |
| Ralph Shaw       | 4.50      |           |
| E. M. Howe       | 3.50      |           |
| P. J. Landers    | 7.80      |           |
| Wm. Pranaitiss   | 2.50      |           |
| Fred Randolph    | 1.00      |           |
| Lillian Miller   | 9.00      |           |
| Edgar Kimball    | 7.00      |           |
| Louis Shumway    | 7.00      |           |
| W. Smith         | 1.75      |           |
| W. S. Piper      | 5.00      |           |
|                  | <hr/>     | \$ 240.25 |

## DISTRICT NO. 11.

|                                         |         |           |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Paid W. S. Piper and man, cutting brush | \$ 3.00 |           |
| Geo. Claflin, cutting brush             | 1.75    |           |
| W. S. Piper, team and man               | 69.00   |           |
| Geo. Claflin                            | 13.13   |           |
| D. P. Spencer                           | 8.00    |           |
| A. S. Brown and Son                     | 4.25    |           |
| Thos. Austin                            | 6.00    |           |
| C. W. Newton, labor and picking stone   | 6.30    |           |
| Geo. Harvey                             | 1.75    |           |
| L. Hubbard                              | 1.75    |           |
| Phinian Vance                           | 1.50    |           |
| A. J. Aldrich and son                   | 11.10   |           |
| M. C. Baggs and men                     | 22.00   |           |
|                                         | <hr/>   | \$ 149.53 |



## DISTRICT NO. 12.

|                        |          |           |
|------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid James F. Moriarty | \$ 35.90 |           |
| Morris Moriarty        | 56.33    |           |
| W. S. Piper            | 3.50     |           |
| Henry Dubuque          | .60      |           |
| Thos. Austin           | 24.84    |           |
| Frank Sullivan         | 20.25    |           |
| Jas. Sullivan          | 3.50     |           |
| M. Garvey              | 14.88    |           |
| John B. Shea           | 2.63     |           |
| John Sullivan          | 2.25     |           |
| Peter Garvey           | 6.00     |           |
|                        | <hr/>    | \$ 170.68 |

## DISTRICT NO. 13.

|                      |         |          |
|----------------------|---------|----------|
| Paid M. E. Cavanaugh | \$ 7.00 |          |
| W. S. Piper and man  | 29.00   |          |
| Geo. Harvey          | 5.25    |          |
| Geo. Claflin         | 7.00    |          |
| Jos. Lapolice        | 3.50    |          |
| Roy Bardwell         | 3.50    |          |
| J. Ahearn            | 1.75    |          |
|                      | <hr/>   | \$ 57.00 |

## DISTRICT NO. 14.

|                          |          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid W. S. Piper and man | \$ 40.00 |          |
| Fred Nooney              | 5.85     |          |
| A. Slater                | 5.85     |          |
| Geo. Claflin             | 5.85     |          |
| J. Bromley               | 1.20     |          |
| W. Joy                   | 1.20     |          |
| M. Sears                 | 5.25     |          |
| P. J. Moriarty and man   | 10.50    |          |
|                          | <hr/>    | \$ 75.70 |

## DISTRICT NO. 15.

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| Paid W. S. Piper  | 36.00 |
| M. P. Bowler      | 9.00  |
| M. P. Bowler, Jr. | 3.50  |

|               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| Thos. Bowler  | \$ 3.50   |
| Geo. Harvey   | 3.50      |
| Geo. Claflin  | 6.40      |
| Roy Bardwell  | 3.50      |
| Jos. Lapolice | 3.50      |
| J. Ahearn     | 2.25      |
| F. Nooney     | 2.90      |
| A. Slater     | 2.90      |
| Thos. Cody    | 21.15     |
| Patrick Cody  | 5.26      |
|               | <hr/>     |
|               | \$ 103.36 |

## DISTRICT NO. 16.

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Paid E. E. Gay              | \$ 53.88  |
| E. E. Gay, cutting brush    | 3.85      |
| John Maloney, cutting brush | 3.50      |
| Geo. Harvey, cutting brush  | 3.50      |
| L. Hubbard                  | 1.75      |
| A. Sayers                   | 5.25      |
| L. Martin                   | 1.75      |
| Stacey Gay                  | 1.05      |
| Geo. Clifford               | 5.25      |
| E. Carry                    | 3.50      |
| Raymond Gay                 | 3.50      |
| W. S. Piper                 | 11.00     |
| E. F. Munsell               | 2.50      |
| Geo. Claflin                | 4.37      |
| Jos. Lapolice               | 1.00      |
|                             | <hr/>     |
|                             | \$ 105.65 |

## DISTRICT NO. 17.

|                          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Paid Chas. Marsh and men | \$ 57.99 |
| W. S. Piper              | 1.50     |
|                          | <hr/>    |
|                          | \$ 59.49 |

## DISTRICT NO. 18.

|                  |          |
|------------------|----------|
| Paid W. S. Piper | \$ 19.90 |
| D. F. Shumway    | 4.50     |
| Geo. Claflin     | 6.13     |

|                              |         |          |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|
| L. Hubbard, picking stone    | \$ 2.00 |          |
| Geo. Clifford, cutting brush | 5.25    |          |
| L. Hubbard, cutting brush    | 5.00    |          |
| Geo. Clifford                | 3.50    |          |
| F. Rhodes                    | 1.75    |          |
| H. F. Putnam                 | 5.00    |          |
| L. Hubbard                   | 3.50    |          |
|                              | <hr/>   | \$ 56.53 |

## DISTRICT NO. 19.

|                               |          |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid W. S. Piper              | \$ 22.50 |          |
| D. F. Shumway                 | 9.00     |          |
| M. C. Bardwell, labor         | 5.87     |          |
| M. C. Bardwell, gravel        | 1.28     |          |
| M. C. Bardwell, cutting brush | 3.50     |          |
| Roy Bardwell, labor           | 7.25     |          |
| Jos. Lapolice                 | 1.75     |          |
| John McKellop                 | .80      |          |
| Geo. Claflin                  | 3.50     |          |
| Geo. Harvey                   | 1.75     |          |
|                               | <hr/>    | \$ 57.20 |

## REPAIRS ON BRIDGES.

|                                 |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Paid W. S. Piper, on dis. no. 3 | \$ 1.25 |
| W. S. Piper, on dis. no. 4      | 4.50    |
| Geo. Claflin, on dis. no. 4     | 1.75    |
| Geo. Akers, on dis. no. 5       | 2.00    |
| W. S. Piper, on dis. no. 5      | 2.50    |
| W. S. Piper, on dis. no. 6      | 1.50    |
| Geo. Akers, on dis. no. 6       | 2.50    |
| F. S. Wilson, on dis. no. 6     | .52     |
| Geo. Akers, on dis. no. 8       | .75     |
| F. S. Wilson, on dis. no. 8     | .52     |
| H. M. Lamson, on dis. no. 9     | 2.00    |
| W. S. Piper, on dis. no. 9      | 3.25    |
| W. S. Piper, on dis. no. 11     | 20.25   |
| Geo. Claflin, on dis. no. 11    | 4.50    |



|                                      |        |                |
|--------------------------------------|--------|----------------|
| D. P. Spencer, on dis. no. 11        | \$ .75 |                |
| Ed. Parent, on dis. no. 11           | 1.50   |                |
| W. S. Piper, on dis. no. 12          | 3.50   |                |
| Ed. Parent, on dis. no. 12           | .75    |                |
| W. S. Piper, on dis. no. 14          | 1.50   |                |
| Ed. Parent, on dis. no. 14           | .55    |                |
| W. S. Piper, and man, on dis. no. 16 | 2.00   |                |
| W. S. Piper, and man, on dis. no. 18 | 2.50   |                |
|                                      |        | <hr/> \$ 60.84 |

## MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT.

|                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid W. S. Piper, hawling scraper    | \$ 4.50 |
| “ repairing “                        | 4.00    |
| “ express on repairs                 | .83     |
| “ telephone and carefare             | 1.45    |
| “ repairing watering tank            | .50     |
| “ cutting trees from road            | 2.50    |
| “ spikes                             | .50     |
| “ drawing plank                      | 1.00    |
| “ grease                             | .23     |
| “ drawing sand for walks             | 2.00    |
| “ sanding side walks                 | 1.50    |
| “ plank                              | 2.70    |
| Shumway and Gay, plank               | 100.00  |
| Austin Kimball, plank                | 18.75   |
| H. H. Ward, plank                    | 11.55   |
| T. D. Potter, plank, posts and nails | 10.73   |
| “ tile and bridge timbers            | 51.03   |
| E. F. Shumway, posts and railings    | 3.50    |
| H. M. Lamson, posts and railings     | 2.20    |
| Geo. Akers, spikes                   | .30     |
| Geo. Akers, cutting trees from roads | .75     |
| D. D. Hazen, tile, tools, etc.       | 36.70   |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., spikes and tools | 4.10    |
| E. F. Flaherty, repairing scraper    | 6.50    |
| H. F. Curtis, “ “                    | .65     |

|                                           |        |           |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| H. M. Jepson, dynamite fuse and caps      | 11.61  |           |
| A. Bridgman, tools                        | 1.10   |           |
| H. H. Witt, repairing scraper             | .75    |           |
| E. E. Gay, shovels and picks              | 3.75   |           |
| Wm. Bardwell, auto and horse hire         | 7.00   |           |
| J. L. Smith, repairs                      | 16.50  |           |
| N. E. Metal Culvert Co., road drag        | 25.00  |           |
| E. L. Blackmer, picking stone             | 5.25   |           |
| E. E. Snow, picking stone                 | 5.25   |           |
| B. L. Thrasher, repairing watering trough | .25    |           |
| Jos. Gardner, for 1912 acct.,             | 1.50   |           |
| M. E. Cavanaugh, 1912 acct.,              | 4.50   |           |
| Jas. A. Peeso, 1912 acct.,                | 208.42 |           |
| W. S. Piper, supts. salary                | 25.00  |           |
|                                           | <hr/>  | \$ 584.35 |

## PERMANENT REPAIRS.

## DISTRICT NO. 1.

|                    |          |           |
|--------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid D. F. Shumway | \$ 24.75 |           |
| W. S. Piper,       | 50.00    |           |
| Jos. Lapolice,     | 6.12     |           |
| E. F. Munsell,     | 9.62     |           |
| Geo. Claflin,      | 9.63     |           |
| Ed. Parent,        | 3.50     |           |
| Gravel             | 14.80    |           |
|                    | <hr/>    | \$ 118.42 |

## DISTRICT NO. 5.

|                 |          |          |
|-----------------|----------|----------|
| Paid H. H. Witt | \$ 10.75 |          |
| E. C. Witt      | 9.00     |          |
| Peter Pierce    | 3.50     |          |
| R. Pierce       | 3.50     |          |
| E. C. Witt Jr., | 1.75     |          |
|                 | <hr/>    | \$ 28.50 |

## DISTRICT NO. 7.

|                          |          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid W. S. Piper and man | \$ 23.25 |          |
| Geo. Claflin             | 3.25     |          |
|                          | <hr/>    | \$ 26.50 |

## DISTRICT NO. 10.

|                      |          |          |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid W. A. Sauer     | \$ 18.00 |          |
| W. S. Piper          | 7.50     |          |
| Ashley Randall       | 6.15     |          |
| E. A. Smith          | 4.30     |          |
| Chas. Austin         | 5.85     |          |
| W. Holcomb           | 6.15     |          |
| Ralph Shaw           | 18.00    |          |
| Frank Austin, gravel | 9.92     |          |
|                      | <hr/>    | \$ 75.87 |

## DISTRICT NO. 13.

|                          |       |          |
|--------------------------|-------|----------|
| Paid M. E. Cavanaugh     | 25.00 |          |
| M. F. Austin             | 12.50 |          |
| 60 loads gravel          | 4.80  |          |
| W. S. Piper              | 2.75  |          |
| J. Cavanaugh             | 20.00 |          |
| J. Cavanaugh, for gravel | 6.00  |          |
| Michael Cavanaugh        | 7.88  |          |
| Bert Alden               | 6.12  |          |
|                          | <hr/> | \$ 85.05 |

## DISTRICT NO. 14.

|                                |           |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Paid E. F. Shumway, new bridge | \$ 300.00 | \$ 300.00 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|

## DISTRICT NO. 15.

|                                      |          |           |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid Fred Higgins and man            | \$ 65.75 |           |
| W. S. Piper                          | 30.00    |           |
| Geo. Claflin                         | 6.00     |           |
| P. Shea, cutting brush and shoveling | 9.35     |           |
| Toney Wazoha                         | 4.10     |           |
| M. Kohonka                           | 4.10     |           |
| J. Gerolopka                         | 4.10     |           |
|                                      | <hr/>    | \$ 123.40 |

## DISTRICT NO. 16.

|                  |          |  |
|------------------|----------|--|
| Paid E. E. Gay   | \$ 50.25 |  |
| W. S. Piper      | 12.50    |  |
| Town Farm Warden | 4.50     |  |
| D. F. Shumway    | 4.50     |  |



|                          |         |           |
|--------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Paid L. Hubbard          | \$ 8.75 |           |
| D. Coleman               | 5.25    |           |
| A. Sayers                | 7.00    |           |
| A. W. Stacy, gravel      | 12.00   |           |
|                          | <hr/>   | \$ 104.75 |
| Permanent repairs, total |         | \$ 862.49 |

## GUIDE BOARDS.

|                                       |             |             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Paid Geo. Claflin, resetting posts    | \$ .50      |             |
| W. S. Piper, new posts and repairing  | 1.50        |             |
| Total,                                | <hr/>       | \$ 2.00     |
| Unexpended balance Feb. 1, 1913       | \$ 257.94   |             |
| Raised for year ending Feb. 1, 1914   | 3,500.00    |             |
|                                       | <hr/>       | \$ 3,757.94 |
| Expended for year ending Feb. 1, 1914 |             | \$ 3,423.32 |
| Unexpended balance Feb. 1, 1914       |             | 334.62      |
| Drawn from town,                      | \$ 3,427.17 |             |
| Total expended,                       | \$ 3,423.32 |             |
|                                       | <hr/>       | \$ 3.85     |
| Balance in hands of Supt.,            |             |             |

W. S. PIPER, *Supt. of highways.*

Audited Feb. 6, 1914. G. F. Lincoln, Auditor.

## Assessor's Report.

|                           |                     |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Valuation of real estate, | \$ 775,925.00       |
| "    personal estate,     | 164,120.00          |
|                           | <hr/> \$ 940,045.00 |

RATE OF TAXATION, 24.80 PER THOUSAND.

|                       |                    |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Tax on real estate,   | \$ 19,242.94       |
| "    personal estate, | 4,070.18           |
| "    polls,           | 1,054.00           |
|                       | <hr/> \$ 24,367.12 |

WE HAVE ASSESSED THE TAX AS FOLLOWS:

|                                   |                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Town, school, and other expenses, | \$ 20,723.70       |
| State tax,                        | 2000.00            |
| State highway,                    | 117.50             |
| County tax,                       | 1,217.03           |
| Overlayings,                      | 308.89             |
|                                   | <hr/> \$ 24,367.12 |

|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Added assessments,                  | \$ 43.48 |
| Residents assessed on property,     | 525      |
| Non-residents assessed on property, | 120      |
| For poll tax only,                  | 192      |
| Number of acres of land assessed,   | 31,970   |
| Horses,                             | 529      |
| Cows,                               | 1,147    |
| Sheep,                              | 53       |
| Neat cattle other than cows,        | 379      |
| Swine,                              | 117      |
| Fowls,                              | 4,815    |
| Number of dwelling houses assessed, | 479      |

|               |   |                     |
|---------------|---|---------------------|
| F. M. FULLER, | } | <i>Assessors</i>    |
| F. B. ALDEN,  | } | <i>of</i>           |
| F. E. AUSTIN, | } | <i>Belchertown.</i> |

# Report of Town Clerk.

*For the year ending Dec. 31, 1913.*

## STATISTICS OF

### BIRTHS.

|           |   |       |   |             |   |          |   |
|-----------|---|-------|---|-------------|---|----------|---|
| January   | 5 | April | 4 | July        | 5 | October  | 5 |
| February  | 2 | May   | 5 | August      | 2 | November | 1 |
| March     | 3 | June  | 3 | September   | 1 | December | 3 |
| Males 20, |   |       |   | Females 19. |   |          |   |

### RETURN OF BIRTHS.

|                  |   |                     |    |
|------------------|---|---------------------|----|
| Dr. W. B. Segur, | 4 | Dr. Geo. W. Rawson, | 1  |
| " C. H. Giroux,  | 6 | " H. W. Eliot,      | 5  |
| " S. O. Miller,  | 2 | " J. L. Collard,    | 16 |
| " S. Barrow,     | 1 | " N. C. Haskell,    | 1  |
| " H. H. Cheney,  | 2 | " W. B. Smith,      | 1  |

### MARRIAGES.

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Number of intentions recorded,      | 21 |
| " " marriages " "                   | 22 |
| First marriage, Males, 19; Females, | 20 |
| Second marriage, " 3; " "           | 2  |
| Youngest male married, 18; " "      | 18 |
| Oldest " " 67; " "                  | 54 |



## DEATHS.

|          |                            |       |    |           |   |          |   |
|----------|----------------------------|-------|----|-----------|---|----------|---|
| January  | 1                          | April | 3  | July      | 4 | October  | 4 |
| February | 9                          | May   | 3  | August    | 2 | November | 4 |
| March    | 7                          | June  | 2  | September | 0 | December | 1 |
|          | Males                      |       | 26 | Females   |   | 14       |   |
|          | Native born,               |       | 34 | Foreign,  |   | 6        |   |
|          | Number of town meetings,   |       |    |           |   | 3        |   |
|          | Mortgages and attachments, |       |    |           |   | 18       |   |

## DOG LICENSE.

|          |                 |           |           |
|----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Males,   | 197 at \$ 2.00, | \$ 394.00 |           |
| Females, | 13 at 5.00,     | 65.00     |           |
|          |                 | <hr/>     | \$ 459.00 |

Paid the above ( less fees ) to county treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk.*

## Cemetery Account.

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|                                                               |             |             |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Received for perpetual care of lots previous<br>to 1913,      | \$ 4,081.57 |             |
| Received in 1913 from W. A. Stebbins,                         | 150.00      |             |
| "      "      " O. S. Willis,                                 | 50.00       |             |
| "      "      " Lydia Arnold,                                 | 50.00       |             |
| "      "      " Laura Sabin,                                  | 50.00       |             |
| "      "      " Emmeline T. Hawks,                            | 50.00       |             |
| "      "      " E. W. Burnett,                                | 50.00       |             |
| "      "      " H. L. Boyden,                                 | 50.00       |             |
| "      "      " E. B. Hitchcock for<br>use in South Cemetery, | 150.00      |             |
|                                                               | <hr/>       | \$ 4,631.57 |
| Interest on fund,                                             | \$ 182.82   |             |
| Balance in Treasury, Feb. 1st, 1913,                          | 89.41       |             |
| Appropriation,                                                | 50.00       |             |
|                                                               | <hr/>       | \$ 322.23   |

### A. H. HUBBARD'S ACCOUNT.

|                                                                                   |           |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| To mowing walks and avenues, care of lots,<br>cleaning stones and filling graves, | \$ 145.00 |           |
| To mowing South Cemetery,                                                         | 10.00     |           |
| "      " Blue Meadow Cemetery,                                                    | 1.00      |           |
| " fertilizer,                                                                     | 5.80      |           |
|                                                                                   | <hr/>     | \$ 161.80 |

## HOMER PRATT'S ACCOUNT.

|                                           |         |          |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| To mowing West Hill Cemetery,             | \$ 2.00 |          |
| “ “ Union “                               | 3.00    |          |
| “ “ Lake Vale “                           | 5.00    |          |
| “ services as Burial Ground Commissioner, | 1.00    |          |
|                                           | <hr/>   | \$ 11.00 |

## ROY G. SHAW'S ACCOUNT.

|                                                          |          |           |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| To mowing Holyoke, Tylerville and Liberty<br>Cemeteries, | \$ 15.00 |           |
| To paint and labor on fence at Liberty<br>Cemetery,      | 6.50     |           |
|                                                          | <hr/>    | \$ 21.50  |
| Total,                                                   |          | \$ 194.30 |
| Balance in treasury Feb. 1, 1914,                        |          | \$ 127.93 |
| We recommend an appropriation of \$ 100.00               |          |           |

Respectfully submitted,

|                |   |                                             |
|----------------|---|---------------------------------------------|
| ROY G. SHAW,   | } | <i>Burial<br/>Ground<br/>Commissioners.</i> |
| H. S. PRATT,   |   |                                             |
| A. H. HUBBARD, |   |                                             |

Audited Feb. 6, 1914. G. F. Lincoln, Auditor.



## Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures.

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|                                                   | Sealed | Condemned |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| Number of platform scales sealed over 5000 lbs.,  | 6      |           |
| “ “ “ “ under “                                   | 18     |           |
| “ computing “ “                                   | 3      |           |
| “ all other “ “                                   | 49     |           |
| “ condemned,                                      |        | 4         |
| “ of weights adjusted,                            | 3      |           |
| “ “ sealed,                                       | 145    |           |
| “ of scales adjusted,                             | 17     |           |
| “ “ tagged non-sealed,                            | 3      |           |
| “ of dry measures sealed,                         | 1      |           |
| “ of liquid measures sealed other than milk jars, | 38     |           |
| “ “ “ condemned,                                  |        | 2         |
| “ of linear “ sealed,                             | 12     |           |
| Adjusting charges,                                |        | \$ 0.80   |
| Sealing fees,                                     |        | 23.97     |
|                                                   |        | <hr/>     |
| Total received in fees,                           |        | \$ 24.77  |
|                                                   |        | 15.23     |
|                                                   |        | <hr/>     |
| Total received for services as Sealer,            |        | \$ 40.00  |

FRED C. BURNETT, *Sealer.*

Andited Feb. 7, 1914, G. F. Lincoln, Auditor.

## Tree Warden's Report.

|                                                             |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Appropriation,                                              | \$ 150.00 |
| Paid D. D. Hazen for arsenate of lead, gaso-<br>line, etc., | \$ 34.29  |
| To the Boston Duck Co., repairs,                            | 2.45      |
| To Bacon & Donovan labor and supplies,                      | 11.38     |
| To one pump, labor and express,                             | 15.00     |
| To J. A. Peeso, repairing and spraying, team<br>and man,    | 55.50     |
| To A. J. Rowe,                                              | 23.25     |
| To Dwight Jepson,                                           | 11.00     |
|                                                             | <hr/>     |
|                                                             | \$ 152.87 |
| Received for use of spraying machine,                       | \$ 15.00  |
| Due from the state,                                         | 12.50     |
|                                                             | <hr/>     |
|                                                             | \$ 177.50 |
| Balance in treasury                                         | \$ 24.63  |
| I have drawn orders to the amount of                        | \$ 137.87 |

J. A. PEESO, *Tree Warden.*

Audited Feb. 9, 1914. G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor.*

## Report of Fire Department.

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There have been twelve chimney fires and  
eight buildings.

|                                                           |          |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| The expense at these fires was,                           | \$ 83.97 |              |
| Care of engine house, repairs etc., recharging ext.,      | 42.50    |              |
| Soda,                                                     | 11.52    |              |
| Acid,                                                     | 4.50     |              |
| Oil,                                                      | 3.24     |              |
| Stove,                                                    | 4.00     |              |
| Drawing coal and setting up stove etc.,                   | 2.00     |              |
| Stopples and express,                                     | 2.00     |              |
| 12 charges for extinguishers,                             | 6.50     |              |
| Coal,                                                     | 3.50     |              |
| Total expense,                                            |          | \$ 163.73    |
| Amount of damage to buildings and contents by<br>fire was |          | \$ 11,000.00 |

J. A. PEESO, *Chief of Fire Department.*

Audited Feb. 9, 1914. G. F. Lincoln, Auditor.

## Report of Forest Warden.

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|                                          |           |           |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation for extinguishers,         |           | \$ 200.00 |
| Paid for 33 extinguishers,               | \$ 200.00 |           |
| Received from the State,                 | 100.00    |           |
| Balance in the treasury,                 |           | \$ 100.00 |
| We have had 25 forest fires at a cost of | \$ 167.70 |           |
| To use of telephone,                     | 1.75      |           |
| To posting fire notices,                 | 5.00      |           |
| To bottles for extinguisher and express, | 2.10      |           |
| To J. A. Peeso, permits and labor,       | 15.00     |           |



|                                                |          |        |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|--------|
| To deputies,                                   | \$ 10.00 |        |
|                                                | <hr/>    |        |
| Expense of forest fires to town and R. R.      | \$       | 201.55 |
| There is due from the C. V. and B. & M. R. R., |          | 76.70  |
|                                                |          | <hr/>  |
| Expense to the town,                           | \$       | 124.85 |
| I have drawn orders to the amount of           | \$       | 201.55 |
| J. A. PEESO, <i>Forest Warden.</i>             |          |        |
| Audited Feb. 9, 1914. G. F. Lincoln, Auditor.  |          |        |

## Report of the Local Moth Supt.

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|                                          |           |           |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance on hand Feb. 1, 1913, | \$ 164.00 |           |
| Appropriation, 1913,                     | 200.00    |           |
|                                          | <hr/>     | \$ 364.00 |
| Labor of supt., men and team, 1913,      | \$ 115.40 |           |
| “ “ “ 1914,                              | 76.00     |           |
|                                          | <hr/>     | \$ 191.40 |
|                                          |           | <hr/>     |
| Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1914,            |           | \$ 172.60 |

EVERETT C. HOWARD, *Local Moth Supt.*

Audited Feb. 12, 1914. G. F. Lincoln, Auditor.

# Report on Funds.

## MRS. SUSAN M. D. BRIDGMAN FUND.

|                                  |           |           |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance Feb. 1, 1913, | \$ 190.95 |           |
| Rec'd Apr. 1, 1913,              | 140.00    |           |
| Rec'd July 1, 1913,              | 70.00     |           |
| Rec'd Oct. 1, 1913,              | 70.00     |           |
| Rec'd Jan. 1, 1914,              | 70.00     |           |
|                                  | <hr/>     | \$ 540.00 |

|                                                            |  |        |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--|--------|
| Gave aid to 10 families, issued 54 orders<br>amounting to, |  | 256.90 |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--|--------|

|                                   |  |           |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1914, |  | \$ 284.05 |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|

## WHITING STREET FUND.

|                                   |           |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1913, | \$ 201.11 |           |
| Received Sept. 1, 1914,           | 270.00    |           |
|                                   | <hr/>     | \$ 471.11 |

|                                                            |  |           |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--|-----------|
| Gave aid to 13 families, issued 71 orders,<br>amounting to |  | \$ 333.60 |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--|-----------|

|                                   |  |           |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1914, |  | \$ 137.51 |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|

E. A. R. FAIRCHILD.  
E. F. SHUMWAY,  
J. J. GARVEY,  
Mrs. M. G. WARD,  
Mrs. M. A. MORSE.

} Almoners.

Audited Feb. 7, 1914. G. F. Lincoln, Auditor.

## Report of Committee on Appropriations.

|                                    |                    |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Schools,                           | \$ 6,500.00        |
| Highways,                          | 3,000.00           |
| Street lights,                     | 950.00             |
| Town account,                      | 2,500.00           |
| Suppression of Brown Tail Moth,    | 50.00              |
| Treasurer's bond,                  | 25.00              |
| Bond and stationery for collector, | 40.00              |
| Repairs on school houses,          | 200.00             |
| Support of paupers,                | 1,000.00           |
| Spraying trees,                    | 125.00             |
| Discount on town notes,            | 400.00             |
| Payment of town note due in 1914,  | 1,500.00           |
|                                    | <hr/> \$ 14,680.00 |

|               |   |                                             |
|---------------|---|---------------------------------------------|
| M. S. BARTON, | } | <i>Committee<br/>on<br/>Appropriations.</i> |
| GUY C. ALLEN, |   |                                             |
| M. G. WARD,   |   |                                             |



## Selectmen's Report.

### LIGHTING STREETS.

|                                           |           |           |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriations,                           | \$ 775.00 |           |
| Unexpended balance,                       | 38.85     |           |
|                                           |           | \$ 808.85 |
| Paid H. E. Atwood, care of street lights, | \$ 8.40   |           |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., St. lights,   | 11.67     |           |
| Phinian Vance,                            | 4.00      |           |
| Central Mass. Electric Co.,               | 11.67     |           |
| F. W. Fellows, oil for                    | 3.60      |           |
| H. E. Atwood, care of                     | 8.90      |           |
| A. E. Hadlock, oil for                    | 4.80      |           |
| Phinian Vance, care of                    | 4.25      |           |
| H. E. Atwood,                             | 8.40      |           |
| oil for                                   | 4.09      |           |
| Central Mass. Electric Co.,               | 11.67     |           |
| Phinian Vance, care of                    | 4.00      |           |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., oil for               | .79       |           |
| D. D. Hazen,                              | 1.58      |           |
| N. W. Farrar,                             | .36       |           |
| Central Mass Electric Co.,                | 74.38     |           |
| "                                         | 145.82    |           |
| "                                         | 72.91     |           |
| "                                         | 72.41     |           |
| J. W. Jackson, oil for                    | .81       |           |

|                                              |          |           |
|----------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Paid Central Mass. Electric Co., St. lights, | \$ 72.91 |           |
| "                    "                    "  | 72.91    |           |
| "                    "                    "  | 72.91    |           |
| Total expenditure,                           | —————    | \$ 673.24 |
| Unexpended balance,                          |          | \$ 135.61 |

## SIDEWALKS.

|                                                                  |           |           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriations,                                                  | \$ 600.00 |           |
| Received from abutters,                                          | 68.00     |           |
|                                                                  | —————     | \$ 668.00 |
| Paid P. J. Nelligan, repairs on sidewalks,                       | \$ 13.00  |           |
| "                    "                    building and repairing |           |           |
| sidewalks,                                                       | 503.65    |           |
| W. S. Piper, tile and labor,                                     | 9.73      |           |
| Wm. Orlando, grading for sidewalks,                              | 100.00    |           |
| D. F. Shumway, labor on                    "                     | 12.50     |           |
|                                                                  | —————     | \$ 638.88 |
| Unexpended balance,                                              |           | \$ 29.12  |

## FRANKLIN SCHOOL BUILDING.

|                                                                          |             |             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Appropriation,                                                           |             | \$ 4,600.00 |
| Paid F. A. Davis, cement work,                                           | \$ 1,200.00 |             |
| "                    "                    "                    "         | 600.00      |             |
| E. F. Shumway, labor,                                                    | 125.00      |             |
| G. L. Thorpe, plans,                                                     | 53.00       |             |
| E. F. Shumway, labor and material,                                       | 940.00      |             |
| "                    "                    water-closets,                 | 66.50       |             |
| "                    "                    labor and material,            | 300.00      |             |
| "                    "                    "                    "         | 300.00      |             |
| F. A. Davis, balance on cement work,                                     | 48.00       |             |
| Whitcomb & Faulkner, heating and ven-                                    |             |             |
| tilating,                                                                | 375.00      |             |
| E. F. Shumway, labor and book-cases,                                     | 78.21       |             |
| "                    "                    "                    material, | 475.00      |             |
| Whitcomb & Faulkner, heating and ven-                                    |             |             |
| tilating,                                                                | 123.85      |             |

|                               |           |             |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Paid C. D. Case, furnishings, | \$ 264.38 |             |
|                               | <hr/>     | \$ 4,948.94 |
| In excess of appropriation,   |           | \$ 348.94   |

## FIRE EXTINGUISHERS.

|                                           |           |           |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation,                            | \$ 200.00 |           |
| Received from state,                      | 100.00    |           |
|                                           | <hr/>     | \$ 300.00 |
| Paid Badger Fire Extinguisher Co. for ex- |           |           |
| tinguishers,                              | \$ 200.00 | \$ 200.00 |
| Unexpended balance,                       |           | \$ 100.00 |

## PAINTING TOWN HALL AND TOWN BUILDING.

|                                               |         |           |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Appropriations,                               |         | \$ 500.00 |
| Paid E. A. Fuller & Co., paint for town hall, | \$10.05 |           |
| O. B. Davis, painting town hall,              | 10.00   |           |
| A. E. Atwood,        "                        | 9.38    |           |
| Geo. Kelly,         "                         | 8.75    |           |
| A. E. Atwood, painting town farm buildings,   | 11.25   |           |
| Martin Crow,        "                         | 13.12   |           |
| F. C. Blackmer,       "                       | 13.12   |           |
| Geo. Kelly,         "                         | 11.25   |           |
| Geo. Kelly, painting town hall,               | 11.57   |           |
| Martin Crow,        "                         | 13.14   |           |
| O. B. Davis, painting town farm buildings,    | 8.75    |           |
| W. D. Dunbar,        "                        | 19.75   |           |
| O. B. Davis,         "       and town hall,   | 20.62   |           |
| Martin Crow, painting town hall,              | 15.00   |           |
| H. E. Atwood,        "                        | 8.14    |           |
| "       "                                     | 22.50   |           |
| O. B. Davis,         "                        | 11.25   |           |
| F. C. Blackmer, painting farm buildings,      | 15.00   |           |
| D. L. Hazen, paints and oils for town         |         |           |
| buildings,                                    | 68.48   |           |
| D. L. Hazen, paints and oils, for buildings,  | 17.76   |           |
| E. A. Fuller & Co.,       "                   | 25.08   |           |
| T. D. Potter, lumber for painting town hall,  | 40.25   |           |



|                                            |          |           |
|--------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| H. D. Hoag, building staging at town hall, | \$ 14.00 |           |
| Geo. Kelley, painting town hall,           | 53.36    |           |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., paint for town hall,   | 11.84    |           |
| Geo. Kelley, painting town hall,           | 28.00    |           |
| “ “                                        | 5.00     |           |
| Total expenditures,                        |          | \$ 496.41 |
| Unexpended balance                         |          | \$ 3.59   |

## TREASURERS BOND.

|                                           |          |          |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriated,                             | \$ 25.00 |          |
| Paid G. H. B. Green, premium treas. bond, | 20.00    |          |
| Unexpended balance,                       |          | \$ 5.00  |
| Appropriation,                            | \$ 35.00 |          |
| Paid tax collector's bond,                | 25.00    |          |
| Unexpended balance,                       |          | \$ 10.00 |

## TO MEET BANK NOTE.

|                                     |             |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Appropriated,                       |             | \$ 1,500.00 |
| Paid A. Bridgman, to pay bank note, | \$ 1,500.00 |             |
|                                     |             | \$ 1,500.00 |

## DISCOUNT ON NOTES.

|                                             |           |           |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriated,                               |           | \$ 400.00 |
| Paid A. Bridgman, to pay discount on notes, | \$ 450.00 |           |
| In excess of appropriation,                 |           | \$ 50.00  |

## SPRAYING TREES.

|                                       |           |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation,                        | \$ 150.00 |           |
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1913,     | 17.03     |           |
|                                       |           | \$ 167.03 |
| Paid J. Peeso, spraying and supplies, | \$ 82.87  |           |
| “ “                                   | 40.00     |           |
| “ “                                   | 15.00     |           |
| Total expenditures,                   |           | \$ 137.87 |
| Unexpended balance,                   |           | \$ 29.16  |

## FOR TOOL HOUSE.

|                                            |           |           |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation,                             |           | \$ 200.00 |
| Paid H. D. Hoag, building tool house,      | \$ 185.00 |           |
| C. I. Shaw, painting tool house,           | 10.31     |           |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., paints for tool house, | 6.85      |           |
|                                            |           | \$ 201.89 |
| In excess of appropriation,                |           | \$ 1.89   |

## CEMETERY ACCOUNT.

|                                  |          |           |
|----------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance Feb. 1, 1913, | \$ 89.41 |           |
| Appropriation,                   | 50.00    |           |
| Interest on cemetery fund,       | 182.82   |           |
|                                  |          | \$ 322.23 |
| Total expenditures,              |          | 194.30    |
| Unexpended balance,              |          | \$ 127.93 |

## PAUPER ACCOUNT.

|                                |             |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Appropriation,                 | \$ 1,000.00 |             |
| Total receipts from town farm, | 1,745.18    |             |
|                                |             | \$ 2,745.18 |
| Total expenditures, pauper in  | \$ 1,693.28 |             |
| Total expenditures, pauper out | 1,060.74    |             |
|                                |             | \$ 2,754.02 |
| In excess of appropriation,    |             | \$ 8.84     |

## SUPPRESSION OF BROWN TAIL MOTH.

|                                    |           |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriated,                      | \$ 200.00 |           |
| Unexpended balance Feb. 1st, 1913, | 164.00    |           |
|                                    |           | \$ 364.00 |
| Paid E. C. Howard, moth work,      | \$ 73.20  |           |
| "          "          "            | 42.20     |           |
| "          "          "            | 76.00     |           |
|                                    |           | \$ 191.40 |
| Unexpended balance,                |           | \$ 172.60 |

## G. A. R. MEMORIAL DAY.

|                                   |          |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriated,                     |          | \$ 50.00 |
| Paid G. A. R. Post, Memorial Day, | \$ 50.00 |          |
|                                   |          | \$ 50.00 |

## HILL TOWN TROLLEY EXTENSION.

|                                              |         |          |
|----------------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation,                               |         | \$ 75.00 |
| Paid H. F. Shaw, transportation M. A. Morse, | \$ 2.00 |          |
| J. L. Collard, automobile services,          | 4.00    |          |
| A. Bridgman, Hill Town Trolley Ass'n,        | 50.00   |          |
| M. A. Morse, trolley extension expenses,     | 12.38   |          |
| G. H. B. Green, " " "                        | 12.86   |          |
|                                              |         | <hr/>    |
|                                              |         | \$ 81.24 |
| In excess of appropriation,                  |         | \$ 6.24  |

## W. F. BRAINARD, CIVIL ENGINEER.

|                                                  |           |           |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation,                                   |           | \$ 223.70 |
| Paid W. F. Brainard, services as civil engineer, | \$ 223.70 |           |

## SCHOOL ACCOUNTS.

|                                    |             |              |
|------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Appropriation,                     | \$ 6,500.00 |              |
| Unexpended balance Feb. 1st, 1913, | 1,303.44    |              |
| Received from other sources,       | 3,085.49    |              |
|                                    |             | <hr/>        |
|                                    |             | \$ 10,888.93 |
| Total expenditure,                 |             | 10,350.50    |
|                                    |             | <hr/>        |
| Unexpended balance,                |             | \$ 538.43    |

## REPAIRS OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

|                          |           |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriated,            |           | \$ 200.00 |
| Expended,                | \$ 258.48 |           |
| Excess of appropriation, |           | \$ 58.48  |

## REPORT OF HIGHWAYS.

|                                    |           |             |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Unexpended balance Feb. 1st, 1913, | \$ 257.94 |             |
| Appropriation,                     | 3,500.00  |             |
|                                    |           | <hr/>       |
|                                    |           | \$ 3,757.94 |
| Total expenditures,                |           | 3,427.17    |
|                                    |           | <hr/>       |
| Unexpended balance,                |           | \$ 330.77   |



## STATE AID.

|                 |             |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Paid state aid, | \$ 1,898.00 |
| Due from state, | 1,898.00    |

## TOWN ACCOUNTS.

|                                             |             |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriation,                              | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Paid Geo. Kelley, care water trough,        | \$ 6.00     |
| Benj. Billings, sawing wood,                | .75         |
| A. Bridgman, oil for town hall,             | .99         |
| H. E. Atwood, setting glass, town hall,     | .25         |
| Geo. B. Jackson, care town clock,           | 4.00        |
| N. E. T. & T. Co., telephone town farm,     | 1.05        |
| D. D. Hazen, insurance policy,              | 20.30       |
| Knight & Thomas, supplies for engine house, | 3.90        |
| E. F. Flaherty, dog case,                   | 3.00        |
| S. A. Hodgkins, janitor Town Hall,          | 4.37        |
| L. H. Blackmer, envelopes,                  | .19         |
| “ printing town reports,                    | 84.45       |
| Carter Ink Co., for ink,                    | .75         |
| Henry M. Dolbear, dog blanks,               | 2.50        |
| H. R. Gould, inspector of meats,            | 17.10       |
| Jas. A. Peeso, services as fire warden,     | 17.27       |
| S. A. Hodgkins, janitor town hall,          | 1.75        |
| B. F. Billings, sawing wood,                | .75         |
| E. F. Flaherty, cattle inspector,           | 50.00       |
| W. H. V. Belding, fighting fires,           | 2.60        |
| Geo. F. Lincoln, insurance on tool house,   | 17.50       |
| N. E. T. & T. Co., telephone town farm,     | 1.15        |
| W. S. Piper, wood for town hall,            | 1.50        |
| Emerson Laboratory, examination diptheria,  | 2.10        |
| H. M. Cook, cleaning stone, Eaton lot,      | 4.00        |
| Johnson's Bookstore, books & supplies,      | 2.44        |
| Hobbs & Warren, tax blanks,                 | .83         |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,             | 8.00        |
| Jas. A. Peeso, services forest fires,       | 48.95       |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,             | 4.00        |
| A. Bridgman, funeral expenses, soldiers,    | 50.00       |

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|------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid Fred E. Burnett, sealing weights & measures,    | \$ 2.00 |
| W. T. L. E. Gurley, supplies for weights & measures, | 2.66    |
| Jas. A. Peeso, service forest fires,                 | 56.50   |
| N. W. Farrar, disinfectants for Dr. Eliot,           | 1.45    |
| Fred E. Burnett, meat inspector,                     | 12.00   |
| Frank Austin, damage to horse on highway,            | 62.50   |
| G. H. B. Green, services as moderator,               | 7.50    |
| Chas. H. Chase, transfers,                           | 14.25   |
| Hobbs & Warren, supplies,                            | 1.75    |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,                      | 4.00    |
| F. D. Walker, mowing park,                           | 3.00    |
| S. A. Hodgkins, repairs town hall,                   | 8.25    |
| G. F. Lincoln, preparing statistics,                 | 15.00   |
| Jas. A. Peeso, services as fire warden,              | 32.25   |
| “ “ care of engine house and repairs,                | 10.00   |
| J. H. Schoonmaker, legal services,                   | 9.53    |
| J. L. Fairbanks & Co., register book,                | 3.50    |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,                      | 4.00    |
| Phinian Vance, removing street lights,               | 2.00    |
| S. A. Hodgkins, care town hall,                      | 3.00    |
| F. E. Burnett, cleaning rubbish town hall,           | 1.00    |
| L. H. Blackmer, printing,                            | 12.56   |
| Jas. A. Peeso, fighting fire,                        | 8.50    |
| Parker Hamer, wiring town hall,                      | 34.75   |
| “ “ engine house,                                    | 10.00   |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspecting,                      | 14.40   |
| Jas. A. Peeso, services as fire warden,              | 86.37   |
| H. D. Hoag, shingling town hall,                     | 30.00   |
| G. B. Jackson, care of town clock,                   | 8.00    |
| L. H. Blackmer, envelopes,                           | .70     |
| D. D. Hazen, insurance on school house,              | 36.00   |
| S. A. Hodgkins, care of town hall,                   | 2.50    |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., lights town hall,        | 2.61    |
| Marion E. Bridgman, stamps and directing circulars,  | 7.70    |
| F. E. Burnett, inspecting meat,                      | 3.00    |
| Hobbs & Warren, stationery for assessors,            | 2.60    |

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|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid Parker Hamer Co., installing switch in fire station, | \$ 7.36 |
| “ lamp, cord and labor,                                   | 1.92    |
| Town of Belchertown, tax on Robinson lot,                 | 2.48    |
| State Board of Health, meat stamps,                       | 13.25   |
| Louis J. Boulier, mason work town farm,                   | 15.00   |
| R. E. Fairchild, oil and nails for town hall,             | .81     |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., lighting town hall,           | .50     |
| “ “ “ engine hall,                                        | .50     |
| D. F. Austin, labor on town pump,                         | 7.45    |
| S. A. Hodgkins, repairs town hall,                        | 3.00    |
| H. D. Hoag, shingling “                                   | 4.50    |
| Geo. Coleman, plastering “                                | 4.00    |
| R. E. Fairchild, freight on shingle, town hall,           | 4.01    |
| Geo. L. Thorpe, galvanized shingle, “                     | 146.99  |
| L. A. Shumway, wood for town hall,                        | 6.00    |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,                           | 8.00    |
| S. A. Hodgkins, care town house,                          | 4.38    |
| J. A. Peeso, horse case,                                  | 1.50    |
| J. A. Peeso, services as fire warden,                     | 20.00   |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspecting,                           | 16.20   |
| E. F. Flaherty, cattle inspecting,                        | 50.00   |
| H. D. Hoag, repairing roof at town hall,                  | 3.00    |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., lighting town hall,           | .85     |
| “ “ “ engine house,                                       | .82     |
| James Moriarty, meat inspecting,                          | 8.70    |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,                           | 4.00    |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspecting,                           | 20.00   |
| C. P. Baggs, “ “                                          | 5.70    |
| R. E. Fairchild, traveling expenses for town,             | 7.90    |
| G. S. Warner, abatement of taxes,                         | 135.75  |
| J. A. Peeso, services as fire warden                      | 10.75   |
| Dr. Miller, returning births,                             | .50     |
| Dr. Giroux, “ “                                           | 1.75    |
| Dr. Collard, “ “                                          | 4.50    |
| Geo. B. Jackson, care of town clock,                      | 4.00    |
| A. H. Hubbard, insurance on tool house,                   | 2.50    |



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|------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Paid R. E. Fairchild, coal for engine house,         | \$ 3.50     |
| A. Bridgman, car fare and expenses,                  | 24.68       |
| A. Bridgman, returning births, deaths and marriages, | 31.90       |
| W. D. Randolph, meat inspecting,                     | 6.00        |
| J. F. Moriarty, " "                                  | 2.70        |
| F. E. Burnett, " "                                   | 12.60       |
| F. E. Burnett, sealer weights and measures,          | 15.23       |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., lighting town hall,      | 1.30        |
| " " " engine house,                                  | .50         |
| Wm. F. Riley, legal services, grade crossing, 1913,  | 73.82       |
| H. A. Paine, inspecting meat,                        | 12.00       |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., lighting town hall,      | 1.07        |
| " " " engine house,                                  | .50         |
| J. A. Peeso, services as fire warden,                | 25.00       |
| " " " "                                              | 50.75       |
| R. G. Shaw, returning deaths,                        | 4.75        |
| J. A. Peeso, oil for engine house,                   | 1.44        |
| L. A. Shumway, wood for town hall,                   | 3.00        |
| Pratt Bros., " "                                     | 4.00        |
|                                                      | <hr/>       |
|                                                      | \$ 1,675.58 |
| Town officers,                                       | 983.00      |
|                                                      | <hr/>       |
| Total expenses town accounts,                        | \$ 2,658.58 |
| In excess of appropriation,                          | \$ 658.58   |

## SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

|                                     |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid W. S. Piper, election officer, | \$ 1.50 |
| Chas. F. Austin, " "                | 1.50    |
| Frank E. Austin, " "                | 3.00    |
| Roy Baggs, " "                      | 3.00    |
| J. C. O'Donnell, " "                | 3.00    |
| H. M. Aldrich, " "                  | 1.50    |
| H. F. Shaw, " "                     | 1.50    |
| Everett Stebbins, " "               | 1.50    |
| M. E. Williams, " "                 | 3.00    |

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|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid J. F. Kennedy, election officer | \$ 1.50 |
| D. F. O'Connor, " "                  | 1.50    |
| H. M. Aldrich, " "                   | 1.50    |
| R. G. Shaw, " "                      | 2.50    |
| H. M. Aldrich, " "                   | 1.50    |
| Fred Croney, " "                     | 1.50    |
| Everett Stebbins, " "                | 1.50    |
| Frank E. Austin, " "                 | 3.00    |
| E. F. O'Connor, " "                  | 3.00    |
| D. K. Shumway, registrar.            | 7.00    |
| Fred F. Dewey, " "                   | 5.50    |
| " "                                  | 1.50    |
| A. Bridgman, " "                     | 18.50   |
| D. K. Shumway, " "                   | 1.50    |
| Fred F. Dewey, " "                   | 6.00    |
| D. K. Shumway, " "                   | 6.00    |
| " "                                  | 7.00    |
| H. H. Ward, " "                      | 21.50   |
| F. F. Dewey, " "                     | 8.50    |
| Geo. S. Warner, collector, 1912,     | 50.00   |
| " " 1913,                            | 50.00   |
| " " balance 1912,                    | 15.00   |
| F. B. Alden, assessor,               | 80.00   |
| F. M. Fuller, " "                    | 75.00   |
| Frank E. Austin, " "                 | 75.00   |
| F. M. Fuller, " "                    | 40.00   |
| Frank E. Austin, " "                 | 40.00   |
| F. B. Alden, " "                     | 35.00   |
| E. R. Peeso, selectman, bal. 1912,   | 19.00   |
| F. M. Fuller, " " "                  | 27.75   |
| E. F. Shumway, " "                   | 50.00   |
| J. J. Garvey, " "                    | 50.00   |
| R. E. Fairchild, " "                 | 50.00   |
| J. J. Garvey, " "                    | 40.00   |
| E. F. Shumway, " "                   | 40.00   |

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| Paid R. E. Fairchild, Selectman, | \$ 50.00 |              |
| M. S. Barton, constable,         | 16.25    |              |
| Geo. F. Lincoln, auditor,        | 10.00    |              |
| A. Bridgman, town clerk,         | 50.00    |              |
|                                  | <hr/>    | \$ 983.00    |
| Total of town accounts,          |          | \$ 31,379.62 |

Of this account there were appropriations as follows:

|                                                                           |             |              |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Town expenses,                                                            | \$ 2,000.00 |              |
| Unexpended balance & appropriation for                                    |             |              |
| street lights,                                                            | 808.85      |              |
| Sidewalk appropriations & receipts,                                       | 668.00      |              |
| Moth work                      "                      balance on hand,    | 364.00      |              |
| Painting town hall and buildings,                                         | 500.00      |              |
| Hill town trolley extension,                                              | 75.00       |              |
| G. A. R. Memorial day,                                                    | 50.00       |              |
| Treasurer's bond,                                                         | 25.00       |              |
| Tax collector's bond & stationery,                                        | 35.00       |              |
| Highways, balance & appropriation,                                        | 3,757.94    |              |
| Franklin school building,                                                 | 4,600.00    |              |
| Cemetery account, bal., int. & appropriation,                             | 322.23      |              |
| Support of schools, bal. & appropriation,                                 | 10,888.93   |              |
| Repairs school buildings,                                                 | 200.00      |              |
| Fire ext., due from state & appropriations,                               | 300.00      |              |
| Spraying trees, balance and                      "                      " | 167.03      |              |
| Bank notes,                                                               | 1,500.00    |              |
| Discount on notes,                                                        | 400.00      |              |
| State aid, due,                                                           | 2,049.00    |              |
| Received from C. V. R. R.                                                 | 44.00       |              |
| "                      Edgar S. Lane,                                     | 17.07       |              |
| Tool house,                                                               | 200.00      |              |
| Pauper in and out,                                                        | 1,000.00    |              |
| Income from town farm,                                                    | 1,745.18    |              |
| W. F. Brainard, engineer,                                                 | 223.70      |              |
| Total appropriations and unexpended                                       |             |              |
| balance Feb. 1st, 1913,                                                   | <hr/>       | \$ 31,940.93 |



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|-------------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Due from state, animal & barn inspection, | \$ 50.00 |          |
| Due for lumber,                           | 20.10    |          |
| Due for tax refund,                       | 2.48     |          |
| Due from B. & M. R. R.                    | 3.00     |          |
|                                           | <hr/>    | \$ 75.58 |

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT OF TOTAL EXPENDITURES  
IN THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS.

|                                |           |              |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Street lights,                 | \$ 673.24 |              |
| Sidewalks,                     | 638.88    |              |
| Painting,                      | 496.41    |              |
| Hill town trolley extension,   | 81.24     |              |
| G. A. R. Memorial day,         | 50.00     |              |
| Treasurer's bond,              | 20.00     |              |
| Collector's bond & stationery, | 25.00     |              |
| Highways & bridges,            | 3,427.17  |              |
| Franklin school house,         | 4,948.94  |              |
| Cemeteries,                    | 194.30    |              |
| Support of schools,            | 10,350.50 |              |
| Repairs of school houses,      | 258.48    |              |
| Fire extinguishers,            | 200.00    |              |
| Spraying trees,                | 137.87    |              |
| Bank note,                     | 1,500.00  |              |
| Discount on notes,             | 450.00    |              |
| State aid,                     | 1,898.00  |              |
| Town accounts,                 | 1,675.58  |              |
| Town officers,                 | 983.00    |              |
| Tool house,                    | 201.89    |              |
| Pauper in,                     | 1,693.28  |              |
| Pauper out,                    | 1,060.74  |              |
| Brown tail moth,               | 191.40    |              |
| W. F. Brainard, engineer,      | 223.70    |              |
| Total expenditures,            | <hr/>     | \$ 31,379.62 |

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Unexpended balance,                                                       | \$ 561.31    |
| We have issued 476 town orders given to the<br>treasurer to the amount of | \$ 31,379.62 |

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| E. A. R. FAIRCHILD, | } <i>Selectmen</i><br><i>of</i><br><i>Belchertown</i> |
| J. J. GARVEY,       |                                                       |
| E. F. SHUMWAY,      |                                                       |

Audited Feb. 12, 1914. G. F. Lincoln, Auditor.

# Report of the Overseers of Poor.

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## INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Bed linen,                      | \$ 20.00 |
| Table linen,                    | 5.00     |
| Towels etc.,                    | 2.00     |
| 7 pr. muslin curtains,          | 5.00     |
| 10 bed spreads and 20 blankets, | 15.00    |
| 5 feather beds,                 | 10.00    |
| 3 straw beds,                   | 1.50     |
| 6 mattresses,                   | 12.00    |
| 15 pillows,                     | 5.00     |
| 20 quilts,                      | 20.00    |
| 5 bed springs,                  | 10.00    |
| 1 bed room set,                 | 5.00     |
| 6 iron bedsteads,               | 15.00    |
| 15 bureaus,                     | 30.00    |
| 1 stand,                        | .50      |
| 25 chairs,                      | 16.00    |
| 1 dining table,                 | 6.00     |
| 1 center table,                 | 2.00     |
| 1 sofa,                         | 3.00     |
| spray pump and hose,            | 10.00    |
| washing machine,                | 5.00     |
| 1 sewing machine,               | 5.00     |
| 1 carpet sweeper,               | 2.00     |



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|-------------------------|---------|
| Oil heater,             | \$ 5.00 |
| 2 cook stoves,          | 10.00   |
| 4 stoves,               | 10.00   |
| 1 set dishes,           | 8.00    |
| 2 invalid chairs,       | 20.00   |
| 1 carpet,               | 12.00   |
| 2 linoleums,            | 4.00    |
| 1 incubator,            | 3.00    |
| 1 range,                | 35.00   |
| Pantry utensils,        | 20.00   |
| 10 lamps,               | 2.50    |
| Meat and provisions,    | 15.00   |
| 80 gal. vinegar,        | 8.00    |
| 50 qts. canned fruit,   | 25.00   |
| 36 qts. canned pickles, | 3.60    |
| 19 cans jelly,          | 2.50    |
| 1 bbl. apples,          | 1.50    |
| 35 bu. potatoes,        | 28.00   |
| Stock feed,             | 1.00    |
| 200 meal,               | 3.00    |
| 2 bu. oats,             | 1.00    |
| 25 cords wood in shed,  | 125.00  |
| 15 cords wood in yard,  | 45.00   |
| 10 stake chains,        | 2.00    |
| 2 cable chains,         | 4.00    |
| Hoes, shovels etc.,     | 5.00    |
| 60 fowls,               | 50.00   |
| 100 mixed feed,         | 1.60    |
| 5 cord 4 ft. wood,      | 15.00   |
| 1 double sled,          | 30.00   |
| 1 single sled,          | 8.00    |
| 1 express sleigh,       | 7.00    |
| 1 cutter,               | 15.00   |
| 1 double wagon,         | 100.00  |
| 1 express wagon,        | 25.00   |

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|-------------------------------|----------|
| 1 buggy,                      | \$ 70.00 |
| 1 dump cart,                  | 30.00    |
| 1 manure spreader,            | 65.00    |
| 1 pr. double harness,         | 25.00    |
| Farm harness,                 | 10.00    |
| 2 buggy harnesses,            | 18.00    |
| Mowing machine,               | 10.00    |
| Horse rake,                   | 20.00    |
| Tedder,                       | 5.00     |
| 5 plows,                      | 15.00    |
| Wheel harrow,                 | 20.00    |
| Spring tooth harrow,          | 7.00     |
| Spike tooth harrow,           | 5.00     |
| 2 cultivators,                | 5.00     |
| Corn sheller,                 | 3.00     |
| Express pole,                 | 1.00     |
| Saws and axes,                | 3.00     |
| Feed cutter,                  | 5.00     |
| Cooley creamer and cans,      | 25.00    |
| Grind stone,                  | 2.00     |
| Paris green gun,              | 1.50     |
| Measures and pails,           | 1.50     |
| Lawn mower,                   | 2.00     |
| Stone boat,                   | 2.00     |
| 3½ M. shingles,               | 12.00    |
| 2 pr. ice tongs,              | 1.00     |
| Cant hook,                    | 1.00     |
| 1½ bu. walnuts,               | 3.00     |
| 65 tons ice,                  | 65.00    |
| Fanning mill,                 | 2.00     |
| 10 tons silage,               | 30.00    |
| Step ladder,                  | 1.50     |
| Corn planter,                 | 5.00     |
| 2 ladders,                    | 3.50     |
| Lanterns, brooms and barrels, | 7.00     |

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|------------------------|-------------------|
| Blankets and robes,    | \$ 25.00          |
| Cow number 1,          | 65.00             |
| Cow number 2,          | 65.00             |
| Cow number 3,          | 90.00             |
| Cow number 4,          | 80.00             |
| Cow number 5,          | 70.00             |
| Cow number 6,          | 45.00             |
| Cow number 7,          | 50.00             |
| Cow number 8,          | 55.00             |
| Cow number 9,          | 75.00             |
| Cow number 10,         | 45.00             |
| Cow number 11,         | 55.00             |
| Cow number 12,         | 35.00             |
| Cow number 13,         | 60.00             |
| Cow number 14,         | 35.00             |
| 1 yearling,            | 25.00             |
| 2 calves,              | 20.00             |
| 2 horses,              | 500.00            |
| 18½ tons number 1 hay, | 370.00            |
| 2 tons meadow hay,     | 20.00             |
|                        | <hr/> \$ 3,122.70 |

### WARDEN'S REPORT TO OVERSEERS OF POOR.

*Income at the Town Farm from Feb. 1st, to Apr. 1st, 1913.*

|                              |                 |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Cash on hand Feb. 1st, 1913, | \$ 1.09         |
| Rec'd for eggs,              | 32.80           |
| “ milk,                      | 202.58          |
| “ potatoes,                  | 1.50            |
| “ calves,                    | 11.25           |
| “ telephone,                 | .10             |
| “ fowls,                     | .75             |
|                              | <hr/> \$ 250.07 |



*Bills paid by H. W. Conkey, Warden.  
Feb. 1st, to Apr. 1st, 1913.*

|                              |        |           |
|------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| Paid for provisions,         | \$ .33 |           |
| “ fish,                      | .38    |           |
| “ account book,              | .45    |           |
| “ pork,                      | 14.50  |           |
| “ daily paper,               | 3.22   |           |
| “ Grand Union Tea Co.,       | 1.65   |           |
| “ oysters,                   | .20    |           |
| “ barbering,                 | 1.70   |           |
| “ washings,                  | .50    |           |
| “ C. Hathaway, labor,        | 14.00  |           |
| “ H. E. Peeso, “             | 8.08   |           |
| “ F. E. Peeso, “             | 2.00   |           |
| “ John Merrill, sawing wood, | 26.44  |           |
| “ treasurer,                 | 176.00 |           |
|                              | —————  | \$ 249.45 |
| Cash on hand,                |        | \$ 0.62   |

H. W. CONKEY, *Warden.*

*Income at the Town Farm from Apr. 1st, to June 1st, 1913.*

|                        |         |           |
|------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Cash on hand,          | \$ 0.62 |           |
| Rec'd for potatoes,    | 16.60   |           |
| milk,                  | 246.70  |           |
| eggs,                  | 23.39   |           |
| cash from W. S. Piper, | 4.50    |           |
| for calves,            | 7.50    |           |
| telephone,             | .20     |           |
| use of hearse,         | 8.00    |           |
| stock service,         | .50     |           |
| stove wood,            | 8.00    |           |
|                        | —————   | \$ 316.01 |

*Bills paid by D. H. Jepson, Warden.*

|                               |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid J. W. Jackson for paper, | \$ .50    |
| C. H. Marsh, fish,            | .60       |
| for barbering,                | .40       |
| H. A. Hopkins, supplies,      | 3.00      |
| G. Chenier, lard,             | .75       |
| for extracts,                 | .25       |
| for seeds,                    | .20       |
| D. J. Jepson, pigs,           | 12.00     |
| “ stock service,              | 1.00      |
| D. D. Hazen, crex rug,        | 12.50     |
| for barbering,                | .70       |
| H. A. Hopkins, supplies,      | 1.00      |
| C. H. Marsh, fish,            | .75       |
| Mrs. H. M. Jepson, butter,    | 2.52      |
| E. C. Howard, tomatoes, etc., | .76       |
| for extracts,                 | .75       |
| G. L. Witt, stock service,    | .50       |
| for ink,                      | .10       |
| J. W. Jackson,                | .50       |
| treasurer,                    | 271.49    |
|                               | <hr/>     |
|                               | \$ 310.27 |

D. H. JEPSON, *Warden.**Income at the Town Farm from June 1, 1913, to Feb. 1, 1914.*

|                                        |           |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|
| Rec'd for milk,                        | \$ 830.92 |
| eggs,                                  | 45.48     |
| cow,                                   | 25.00     |
| apples,                                | 14.75     |
| stove wood,                            | 34.00     |
| use of planter,                        | 1.00      |
| old rags and rubbers,                  | 1.50      |
| moving piano,                          | 2.00      |
| sweet corn,                            | 2.00      |
| 1st premium on 10 cows at Cattle Show, | 10.00     |

|                                             |                   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Rec'd for turnips,                          | \$ 13.30          |
| potatoes,                                   | 3.30              |
| pork to D. L. Hazen,                        | 24.00             |
| Jas. Peeso, use of lockup,                  | 3.00              |
| calves,                                     | 18.00             |
| use of hearse,                              | 11.00             |
| telephone,                                  | 3.50              |
| peas,                                       | 1.10              |
| old buggy,                                  | 2.00              |
| lumber,                                     | 6.00              |
| labor with team,                            | 111.75            |
| stock service,                              | 4.00              |
| of J. M. Clough, for Con. Riley's expenses, | 11.50             |
|                                             | ————— \$ 1,179.10 |

*Bills paid by L. A. Shumway, Warden.*

*June 1, 1913 to Feb. 1, 1914.*

|                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid for seed corn,                | \$ 1.00 |
| barbering,                         | 3.75    |
| Henry Thrasher, plumbing,          | 1.00    |
| for mowing machine knives,         | .90     |
| for huckleberries,                 | .30     |
| for potatoes,                      | 3.00    |
| Frank Fellows, repairs on harness, | .25     |
| John Merrill, sawing wood,         | 1.00    |
| H. W. Conkey, making cider,        | 4.61    |
| Chas. Sweatland, carfare,          | 1.00    |
| “ cattle show,                     | .50     |
| H. M. Jepson, butchering,          | 2.15    |
| Pratt Bros., sawing lumber,        | .50     |
| for blanket,                       | 1.00    |
| Chas. Marsh, fish and oysters,     | 9.42    |
| G. U. Tea Co.,                     | .85     |
| Miss Sarah Lincoln, baking powder, | .25     |
| Eugene Flaherty, blacksmithing,    | 11.00   |
| D. F. Shumway, rye,                | 4.50    |



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|----------------------------|-------------|
| Everette Snow, labor.      | \$ 2.00     |
| Ed. Blackmer, "            | 2.00        |
| Robert Paige, "            | 3.50        |
| Roderick Weston, labor.    | 11.50       |
| Alvin Cutting, "           | 2.00        |
| Raymond Bardwell, labor.   | 2.00        |
| Henry Lamson,              | 3.00        |
| Clifton Hamilton,          | 5.00        |
| W. A. Sauer, filling silo, | 9.00        |
|                            | <hr/>       |
|                            | \$ 86.98    |
| Paid treasurer,            | 1,092.12    |
|                            | <hr/>       |
|                            | \$ 1,179.10 |

LOUIS A. SHUMWAY, *Warden.*

Number of hearse calls, 36

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PAUPER IN ACCOUNT.

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| A. Bridgman, supplies.        | \$ 46.29 |
| D. L. Hazen, "                | 145.21   |
| J. W. Jackson, "              | 24.87    |
| E. A. Hadlock, "              | 1.26     |
| R. E. Fairechild, grain,      | 198.78   |
| H. A. Hopkins, supplies,      | 7.30     |
| Henry F. Thrasher, plumbing.  | 3.45     |
| H. F. Curtis, blacksmithing.  | 5.60     |
| E. F. Flaherty, "             | 20.00    |
| N. E. T. & T. Co., telephone. | 14.50    |
| E. R. Peeso, sawing lumber,   | 5.81     |
| J. A. Peeso, fertilizer,      | 38.65    |
| " hay,                        | 13.50    |
| C. S. Parker, concord buggy,  | 70.00    |
| D. H. Jepson, supplies,       | 2.95     |
| R. E. Fairechild, "           | 32.10    |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., supplies. | 203.54   |

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|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| E. A. Fuller & Co. grain,           | \$ 318.29         |
| Dr. Eliot, med. att.                | 3.00              |
| Dr. Collard, "                      | 6.25              |
| E. C. Witt, pasturing,              | 12.00             |
| Mrs. H. M. Jepson, butter,          | 1.44              |
| Frank W. Fellows, supplies,         | 5.00              |
| Roderick Weston, labor,             | 15.00             |
| Geo. Harvey, labor,                 | 4.00              |
| H. E. Peeso, labor,                 | 59.50             |
| H. W. Conkey, services as warden,   | 75.00             |
| D. H. Jepson, " "                   | 69.99             |
| L. A. Shumway, " "                  | 290.00            |
| Total expense,                      | ————— \$ 1,693.28 |
| Cash paid treasurer by the wardens, | 1,539.60          |
| Actual expense,                     | \$ 153.68         |

#### PAUPERS OUTSIDE ALMSHOUSE.

|                                                   |          |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------|
| M. F. Sullivan, burial of state charge,           | \$ 15.00 |
| Town Shutesbury, partial support town charge,     | 60.00    |
| Town charge, " "                                  | 8.00     |
| City of Worcester, " " " "                        | 12.86    |
| Roy G. Shaw, burial state charge,                 | 15.00    |
| " " town "                                        | 10.50    |
| A. H. Hubbard, opening grave, state charge,       | 4.00     |
| Town charge, partial support,                     | 32.00    |
| C. D. Holden, supplies,                           | 27.00    |
| Geo. S. Warner, wood for town charge,             | 11.25    |
| D. L. Hazen, supplies "                           | 12.97    |
| City of Chicopee, partial support town charge,    | 25.00    |
| Paid aid for town of Leominster,                  | 102.80   |
| W. S. Piper, moving family ( 1912 ),              | 4.50     |
| Town of Shutesbury, partial support town charge,  | 27.00    |
| F. E. M. Weeks, ambulance,                        | 12.00    |
| E. F. Shumway, services rendered,                 | 22.00    |
| Boston hospital, ambulance service,               | 10.00    |
| Dr. J. A. Collard, medical aid,                   | 10.00    |
| C. R. Green, automobile use,                      | 5.00     |
| City of Springfield, partial support town charge, | 32.30    |
| Town of Shutesbury, " "                           | 8.30     |

|                                                   |          |             |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Dr. J. A. Collard, services rendered town charge, | \$ 10.00 |             |
| Mercy Hospital,                                   | 157.47   |             |
| Celia O'Neil, nursing,                            | 175.00   |             |
| Westfield State Sanitarium,                       | 148.00   |             |
| Dr. J. A. Collard, services rendered,             | 2.00     |             |
| R. E. Fairchild, supplies,                        | 1.70     |             |
| Eugene Dick, sawing wood for town charge,         | 8.75     |             |
| E. E. Gay, wood for town charge,                  | 4.00     |             |
| R. E. Fairchild, supplies,                        | 1.84     |             |
| Dr. J. A. Collard, services rendered,             | 1.50     |             |
| Mrs. Newton Smith, partial support town charge,   | 39.50    |             |
| Dr. C. B. King, medical aid,                      | 43.50    |             |
| Expended pauper out,                              | —        | \$ 1,060.74 |
| Total expense of paupers,                         |          | \$ 1,214.42 |
| Due from town of Leominster,                      | \$ 60.85 |             |
| “ “ state for burial state pauper,                | 15.00    |             |
| “ “ “ support “                                   | 25.00    |             |
| Reimbursed by state, burial “                     | 15.00    |             |
| “ town of Leominster,                             | 147.39   |             |
| “ city of Fitchburg,                              | 48.00    |             |
| Total resources,                                  | —        | \$ 310.24   |
| Total expense of pauper in and out,               |          | \$ 904.18   |
| Appropriation for 1913,                           |          | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1914,                     |          | \$ 95.82    |

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|---------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| E. A. R. FAIRCHILD, | } | <i>Overseers<br/>of<br/>Poor.</i> |
| EDWARD F. SHUMWAY,  |   |                                   |
| J. J. GARVEY,       |   |                                   |

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## Treasurer's Report.

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| 1913. |    | <i>Dr.</i>                                                      |             |
|-------|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Feb.  | 1  | Balance due on settlement,                                      | \$ 4,444.86 |
|       | 15 | Cash of George S. Warner,                                       | 331.01      |
|       | 24 | "                                                               | 153.49      |
| Mar.  | 1  | City of Fitchburg,                                              | 48.00       |
|       |    | Town Farm,                                                      | 58.00       |
|       | 3  | George S. Warner,                                               | 136.48      |
|       | 11 | Estate of E. B. Hitchcock, care<br>of lot in South Cemetery,    | 100.00      |
|       |    | George S. Warner,                                               | 236.89      |
|       | 20 | "                                                               | 232.91      |
| Apr.  | 1  | Town Farm,                                                      | 118.00      |
|       | 8  | Guy C. Allen, auct. license,                                    | 2.00        |
|       | 12 | George S. Warner,                                               | 117.75      |
|       | 25 | "                                                               | 150.88      |
|       | 28 | Willard A. Stebbins, care of lot<br>in cemetery,                | 150.00      |
|       | 30 | Amherst National Bank, note due<br>Oct. 24, 1913,               | 4,000.00    |
| May   | 1  | C. W. Clark, pool license,                                      | 2.00        |
|       |    | Town Farm,                                                      | 117.42      |
|       | 3  | W. M. Bardwell, pool license,                                   | 2.00        |
|       | 7  | O. S. Willis, care of Philo Willis lot<br>in Mt. Hope Cemetery, | 50.00       |

|      |    |                                       |          |
|------|----|---------------------------------------|----------|
| May  | 8  | Cash of N. W. Farrar, liquor license, | \$ 1.00  |
|      | 17 | Herbert D. Paine, butcher license,    | 1.00     |
|      | 19 | George S. Warner,                     | 100.10   |
|      | 28 | "                                     | 144.68   |
| June | 2  | Town Farm,                            | 154.07   |
|      |    | John Stadler, butcher's license,      | 1.00     |
|      |    | H. M. Jepson, "                       | 1.00     |
|      | 12 | George S. Warner,                     | 232.52   |
|      |    | Amherst National Bank, note due       |          |
|      |    | Dec. 6,                               | 4,000.00 |
|      | 14 | C. V. R. R. fighting fire,            | 44.00    |
|      | 16 | A. S. Suher & Son, butcher's license, | 1.00     |
|      | 24 | Town of Leominster,                   | 95.39    |
|      |    | Lydia Arnold, care of lot in Lake     |          |
|      |    | Vale Cemetery,                        | 50.00    |
|      | 26 | Peter Adzima, butcher license,        | 1.00     |
|      | 28 | George S. Warner,                     | 101.59   |
| July | 1  | Town Farm,                            | 137.41   |
|      | 3  | Laura Sabin, care of lot in cemetery, | 50.00    |
|      |    | Fines from District Court,            | 22.00    |
|      | 8  | George S. Warner,                     | 102.44   |
|      | 11 | Mrs. Emeline P. Hawk, ( formerly Mrs. |          |
|      |    | Wm. Fay ) care of lot No. 226, Mt.    |          |
|      |    | Hope Cemetery,                        | 50.00    |
|      | 15 | Edward W. Burnette, care Enoch        |          |
|      |    | Burnette lot, Mt. Hope Cemetery,      | 50.00    |
|      | 16 | State Treasurer, burial of pauper,    | 15.00    |
|      |    | " inspection of animals,              | 50.00    |
|      |    | " instruction public schools,         | 26.50    |
|      | 18 | Edgar S. Lane for supplies furnished  |          |
|      |    | Mable Lane by town of Warren,         | 17.07    |
|      |    | Use of Town Hall for show,            | 5.00     |
|      | 21 | George S. Warner,                     | 110.81   |
| Aug. | 1  | Town Farm,                            | 107.28   |
|      |    | Town of Leominster,                   | 52.00    |
|      | 6  | George S. Warner,                     | 224.62   |

|         |                                                      |           |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Aug. 16 | Cash of Geo. S. Warner,                              | \$ 162.22 |
| 18      | " 1913 tax,                                          | 428.38    |
| 22      | " "                                                  | 375.60    |
| 29      | " "                                                  | 295.02    |
| Sept. 1 | Town Farm,                                           | 116.53    |
| 4       | George S. Warner,                                    | 348.67    |
| 9       | Holyoke Y. M. C. A. benefit concert,                 | 5.21      |
|         | George S. Warner, 1912 tax,                          | 106.27    |
| 11      | " 1913 tax,                                          | 311.99    |
| 16      | " "                                                  | 822.00    |
| 20      | " "                                                  | 450.37    |
| 22      | " "                                                  | 449.85    |
| 23      | B. & M. R. R., repairing sidewalk,                   | 13.00     |
| 26      | George S. Warner, 1913 tax,                          | 2,684.79  |
| 29      | " "                                                  | 985.98    |
| 30      | " "                                                  | 1,510.70  |
|         | " 1912 tax,                                          | 135.66    |
| Oct. 1  | Town Farm,                                           | 122.48    |
|         | Fines in District Court,                             | 60.00     |
|         | George S. Warner, 1913 tax,                          | 1,209.41  |
| 2       | " "                                                  | 1,067.66  |
| 4       | State Treasurer, tuition of children,                | 503.00    |
| 6       | George S. Warner, 1913 tax,                          | 709.11    |
| 16      | " "                                                  | 297.71    |
|         | Maurice Fitzgerald, collected at jail,               | 20.00     |
| 21      | George S. Warner, 1912 tax,                          | 107.54    |
| 24      | State Treasurer, acc't school supt.,                 | 1,250.00  |
| 27      | George S. Warner,                                    | 309.29    |
| 30      | " "                                                  | 454.07    |
| Nov. 1  | Town Farm,                                           | 133.42    |
| 5       | George S. Warner,                                    | 1,035.55  |
| 14      | State Treasurer, protection against<br>forest fires, | 100.00    |
| 15      | State Treasurer, corporation tax<br>public service,  | 24.45     |
|         | State Treasurer, " " business,                       | 291.36    |



|       |    |                                                                           |          |
|-------|----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Nov.  | 15 | Cash of State Treasurer, National Bank tax,                               | 323.76   |
|       |    | “ State Aid,                                                              | 1,992.00 |
|       |    | “ burial indigent soldier,                                                | 37.00    |
|       |    | George S. Warner,                                                         | 306.91   |
|       | 24 | “                                                                         | 246.74   |
|       | 29 | “                                                                         | 687.88   |
| Dec.  | 1  | Town Farm,                                                                | 177.28   |
|       | 4  | George Warner, 1912 tax,                                                  | 134.00   |
|       |    | “ 1913 tax,                                                               | 712.77   |
|       | 6  | “                                                                         | 729.68   |
|       | 12 | “                                                                         | 544.00   |
|       | 16 | “ 1912 tax,                                                               | 130.54   |
|       | 29 | “                                                                         | 341.68   |
| 1914. |    |                                                                           |          |
| Jan.  | 1  | Fines from District Court,                                                | 31.63    |
|       |    | Town Farm,                                                                | 148.85   |
|       |    | George S. Warner,                                                         | 594.40   |
|       | 6  | “                                                                         | 401.72   |
|       |    | “ 1912 tax,                                                               | 135.75   |
|       | 10 | County Treasurer, dog fund,                                               | 371.68   |
|       | 15 | State “ difference on interest<br>paid on account of grade crossing 1909, | 46.00    |
|       | 17 | George S. Warner,                                                         | 291.21   |
|       | 21 | Mrs. H. L. Boyden for care of Charles<br>Dwight lot in Mt. Hope Cemetery, | 50.00    |
|       | 24 | George Warner,                                                            | 241.16   |
|       |    | State Treasurer, Mass. School Fund,                                       | 1,172.51 |
|       | 26 | Ware Savings Bank, Geo. Longley fund,                                     | 252.28   |
|       |    | Amherst “ High School “                                                   | 257.70   |
|       |    | “ “ Cemetery “                                                            | 97.55    |
|       |    | “ “ S. M. D. Bridgman,                                                    |          |
|       |    | Cemetery fund,                                                            | 8.59     |
| Feb.  | 2  | George Warner, 1912 tax,                                                  | 167.70   |
|       |    | Town Farm,                                                                | 149.16   |
|       |    | George Warner,                                                            | 475.62   |

|        |                                              |              |
|--------|----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Feb. 2 | Cash of Amherst Savings Bank, cemetery fund, | 76.68        |
|        |                                              | <hr/>        |
|        |                                              | \$ 44,631.59 |

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| April 9  | Cash paid State treasurer corporation tax,                             | \$ 00.64 |
| 23       | A. J. Pruce, services in dist. court,                                  | 1.63     |
| 24       | Bureau of statistics cert. note,                                       | 3.00     |
| 25       | E. F. Flaherty, services in dist. court,                               | 7.65     |
| 30       | Amherst Savings Bank from estate of<br>E. B. Hitchcock, cemetery fund, | 100.00   |
| 30       | Amherst Savings Bank from Willard<br>A. Stebbins, cemetery fund,       | 150.00   |
| May 2    | M. S. Barton, services in dist. court,                                 | 27.91    |
| 2        | D. H. Tillson " " "                                                    | 7.95     |
| 15       | State treasurer acct. of liquor license,                               | .25      |
| June 5   | M. S. Barton, services in dist. court,                                 | 8.63     |
| 6        | Bureau of statistics cert. note,                                       | 3.00     |
| 7        | J. A. Peeso, services in dist. court,                                  | 6.23     |
| 12       | Amherst Savings Bank from O. S. Willis,                                | 50.00    |
| 12       | D. H. Tillson, services in dist. court,                                | 10.19    |
| July 2   | M. S. Barton, " " "                                                    | 6.56     |
| 3        | Amherst Savings Bank from estate of L.<br>Sabin, cemetery fund,        | 50.00    |
| 3        | Bureau of statistics cert. note,                                       | 3.00     |
| 10       | Amherst Savings bank from Lydia<br>Arnold, cemetery fund,              | 50.00    |
| Aug. 1   | M. S. Barton, services in dist. court,                                 | 10.19    |
| 1        | J. A. Peeso, " " "                                                     | 15.91    |
| 6        | Amherst Savings Bank from Mrs. E. P.<br>Hawks, cemetery fund,          | 50.00    |
| 6        | Amherst Savings Bank from E. W.<br>Burnett, cemetery fund,             | 50.00    |
| Sept. 25 | Edwin H. Banister, county tax,                                         | 1,217.03 |

|      |    |                                                                                                       |              |
|------|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Oct. | 1  | Cash paid Amherst Savings Bank int. on notes,                                                         | \$ 60.75     |
|      | 1  | D. H. Tillson, services in dist. court,                                                               | 19.22        |
|      | 23 | Note at Amherst National Bank,                                                                        | 4,000.00     |
|      | 27 | Town of Enfield, acct. school supt.,                                                                  | 350.00       |
| Nov. | 1  | M. S. Barton, services in dis., court,                                                                | 9.18         |
|      | 12 | E. F. Flaherty, " " "                                                                                 | 5.13         |
|      | 15 | State tax,                                                                                            | 2,000.00     |
|      | 15 | Repairs of State Highway,                                                                             | 117.50       |
|      | 19 | E. F. Shumway, services in dist. court,                                                               | 5.13         |
| Dec. | 3  | Bureau of statistics cert. note,                                                                      | 3.00         |
|      | 3  | M. S. Barton, services in dist. court,                                                                | 17.52        |
|      | 3  | J. A. Peeso, " " "                                                                                    | 12.62        |
|      | 3  | D. H. Tillson, " " "                                                                                  | 22.27        |
|      | 3  | Frank H. Guinan, services in dist. court,                                                             | 17.13        |
| 1914 |    |                                                                                                       |              |
| Jan. | 1  | Interest on notes, Amherst Savings bank,                                                              | 60.00        |
|      | 2  | Bureau of Statisticts cert. note,                                                                     | 2.00         |
|      | 10 | Clapp Library, dog fund,                                                                              | 376.78       |
|      | 26 | Int. on note Amherst Savings Bank, 26 da.                                                             | 4.17         |
|      | 26 | Amherst Savings Bank from Mrs. H. L.<br>Boyden, for care of Chas. Dwight lot<br>in Mt. Hope Cemetery, | 50.00        |
| Feb. | 2  | J. A. Peeso, services in dist. court,                                                                 | 25.79        |
|      | 2  | M. S. Barton, " " "                                                                                   | 40.99        |
|      | 2  | Town orders del. selectmen,                                                                           | 31,379.62    |
|      |    | Services as treasurer,                                                                                | 100.00       |
|      |    | Cash on hand,                                                                                         | 4,128.12     |
|      |    |                                                                                                       | <hr/>        |
|      |    |                                                                                                       | \$ 44,631.59 |

A. BRIDGMAN, *Treasurer.*

Audited Feb. 17, 1914. G. F. Lincoln, Auditor.



# Auditor's Report.

## BILLS RECEIVABLE.

|                                 |                   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| In collector's hands,           | \$ 4,902.18       |
| In treasurer's hands,           | 4,128.12          |
| Due from state, for state aid,  | 2,049.00          |
| forestry department,            | 12.50             |
| fire department,                | 300.00            |
| for animal and barn inspection, | 50.00             |
| for lumber,                     | 20.10             |
| tax refund,                     | 2.48              |
| from R. R.,                     | 3.00              |
|                                 | ————— \$11,467.38 |

## BILLS PAYABLE.

|                         |                   |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Note due June 6, 1914,  | \$ 4,000.00       |
| Note due July 8, 1914,  | 3,000.00          |
| Note due Jan. 26, 1915, | 1,500.00          |
|                         | ————— \$ 8,500.00 |

Surplus, \$ 2,967.38

The auditor finds that some of the reports on trust funds in the past have been misleading, the most notable of which is the cemetery fund.

In last years report the commissioners gave the total as, \$ 3,981.57, the total given by the bank was \$ 3,834.01 this was later amended by adding \$ 75.00. The treasurer's account was at variance with both of these. This year the fund is reported in the cemetery account as \$ 4,631.57. After a careful research your auditor finds the total of cemetery funds to be \$ 4,531.57. There is one dividend overlooked which is now available and which will perhaps do away with the necessity of making any appropriation for the present year.

Your auditor finds that a fire insurance policy running three years with a coverage of \$ 1500.00 and premium of \$ 36.00 was bought covering a building to be used for school purposes in the Franklin district, at a time when there was no such building in said district. This policy is of no value.

G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor.*

# Report of the Building Committee.

## FRANKLIN SCHOOL HOUSE.

|                                                                   |             |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Appropriation,                                                    | \$ 3,800.00 |             |
| "    heating and furnishing,                                      | 800.00      |             |
|                                                                   | <hr/>       | \$ 4,600.00 |
| Paid F. A. Davis, per contract,                                   | \$ 1,740.00 |             |
| "    for extras,                                                  | 108.00      |             |
| G. L. Thorpe, for plans,                                          | 53.00       |             |
| E. F. Shumway for labor and materials,                            | 2,140.00    |             |
| Whitcomb & Faulkner, heating and<br>ventilating,                  | 375.00      |             |
| Whitcomb & Faulkner, fire proof cold air<br>box, eaves troughs,   | 123.85      |             |
| O. D. Case Co., for furnishings,                                  | 264.38      |             |
| E. F. Shumway, labor and material, and<br>building water closets, | 66.50       |             |
| E. F. Shumway, paints, oils, labor, setting<br>furnishings etc.,  | 78.21       |             |
|                                                                   | <hr/>       | \$ 4948.94  |
| Exceed appropriation,                                             |             | \$ 348.94   |

In submitting this report to the town the Committee realize that the "Cost of the new school-house" will be the main subject of interest to the tax payers. Your committee tried earnestly and faithfully to put up a building that would meet requirements of the district for future years without having to build an addition in a short time, that would cost nearly as much as the building had. The contracts were let, well within the appropriation, and called for cement block construction that would be practically fire proof, fire proofed cellar with heating plant therein, as required by state officials. Unforeseen extras have had to be added which we could not avoid; therefore the appropriation has been exceeded, as shown by above.

|                  |   |                                |
|------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| ROSWELL ALLEN,   | } | <i>Building<br/>Committee.</i> |
| R. E. FAIRCHILD, |   |                                |

# Annual Report

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE



### Organization, March, 1913--March, 1914

|                  |                           |
|------------------|---------------------------|
| R. E. FAIRCHILD, | Term expires, March, 1914 |
| M. C. Baggs,     | " " " 1914                |
| ROSWELL ALLEN,   | " " " 1916                |

### Superintendent of Schools

|                 |                             |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| ALVAN R. LEWIS, | Term expires, Sept. 1, 1915 |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|

### Attendance Officer

D. F. SHUMWAY

### School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D.



## School Calendar.

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### HIGH SCHOOL.

Spring term will begin March 30, 1914.

“ close June 19, 1914.

Fall term will begin September 8, 1914.

“ close December 18, 1914.

Winter term will begin “ 28, 1914.

“ close March 26, 1915.

### GRAMMAR AND GRADED SCHOOLS.

Spring term will begin April 6, 1914.

“ close June 19, 1914.

Fall term will begin September 14, 1914.

“ close December 18, 1914.

Winter term will begin “ 28, 1914.

“ close March 12, 1915.

## Teachers and Wages.

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|                 |                     |                    |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| High School,    | Thomas Allen,       | \$ 1,100.00        |
| High School,    | Ruth Abbott,        | 550.00             |
| High School,    | Ruth Perkins,       | 500.00             |
| Center Gram.,   | Lena Ripley,        | \$ 12.50 per week. |
| Center Int.,    | Mae Fenton,         | 10.00 per week.    |
| Center Prim.,   | S. Belle Snow,      | 10.00 per week.    |
| Cold Spring,    | Bridget Fitzgerald, | 8.50 per week.     |
| Franklin Gram., | Nellie G. Shea,     | 9.00 per week.     |
| Franklin Prim., | Nellie L. Sullivan, | 10.00 per week.    |
| Liberty,        | Lily Barber,        | 10.00 per week.    |
| Washington,     | Roland Shaw,        | 9.00 per week.     |
| Chestnut Hill,  | Katherine Moriarty, | 8.50 per week.     |
| Lake Vale,      | Sylvia Morton,      | 9.00 per week.     |
| Federal,        | Ella Moriarty,      | 9.00 per week.     |
| Union,          | Edith Towne,        | 9.00 per week.     |
| Blue Meadow,    | Mabel Bowler,       | 6.00 per week.     |
| Rock Rimmon,    | Florence Baggs,     | 5.00 per week.     |

# Report of Superintendent of Schools.

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*To the School Committee of Belchertown.*

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit for your consideration my sixth annual report, which is the tenth annual report of the superintendent of schools.

## ATTENDANCE.

The per cent of attendance for the school year ending June 30, 1913, was 92. Although the number of cases of tardiness was diminished a little, it is much larger than it should be. The parents can do much toward correcting this bad habit which some of the children have formed. I trust that the parents will cooperate with the teachers in their endeavor to train the children in habits of punctuality.

## TEACHERS.

There has been a larger number of changes in our corps of teachers than usual.

Mr. Walter Burt who had been principal of the high school two years, resigned at the close of the year and Mr. Thomas Allen was elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Allen's work during the year has shown that no mistake was made in the choice. Miss Helen Goodspeed who had been assistant for six years, resigned and Miss Ruth Perkins, A. M., was elected to the position.



Miss Katherine Sampson, teacher of the center grammar school, resigned in June to be married and Miss Lena Ripley was placed in charge of the school; Miss S. Belle Snow was transferred from the intermediate room to take the place of Miss Rachel Lapolice, and Miss Mae Fenton was placed in charge of the intermediate room. Mr. Clifton Witt was elected teacher of Lake Vale formerly taught by Mrs. Libbie Gutberlett who had taught in the schools of Belchertown for many years, but at the close of the fall term, Mr. Witt resigned and Miss Sylvia Morton was placed in charge of the school. Miss May Howe resigned in June as teacher of Blue Meadow and Miss Sara Demarest was given the school but was transferred to the intermediate room at Bondsville when the new building was occupied, and Miss Mabel Bowler was given charge of Blue Meadow.

At the beginning of the winter term it was thought best to open Rock Rimmon for the winter and Miss Florence Baggs was elected teacher.

### HIGH SCHOOL.

Some changes have been made in the high school course. We have endeavored to arrange the work so that the greater number will be benefited. More practical subjects have been given in place of those which are of little practical value to the majority of the pupils. Pupils who wish to enter college should be able to prepare in our high school, but the larger majority who will not enter higher institutions should not be obliged to spend their time in studying foreign languages or any other subjects that will be of little if any value to them after leaving school. A good business course or a course in domestic science for the girls and a course in agriculture for the boys would be of great value.

Some elementary work in agriculture has been given to the boys by Mr. Allen. They have shown much interest and in some cases have used the knowledge gained in improving conditions at their homes. This work will be continued. In

this locality so well adapted to fruit raising, planting, grafting, pruning and spraying of trees should be understood by all the boys.

The high school pupils in Enfield, twenty-five in number, have nearly all attended the Athol high school. Because of the crowded condition of the high school in Athol, the pupils in Enfield will not be allowed admission much longer. The tuition for these pupils would amount to about ten hundred dollars. Most, if not all, the parents of the Enfield pupils are willing to send their children to the Belchertown high school, providing that the town will expend the amount of tuition in improving the course in the high school. This arrangement would greatly raise the standard of our school. This is certainly an opportunity that Belchertown cannot afford to lose.

#### GRADED SCHOOLS.

Special attention has been given during the year to reading, language and spelling; and improvement is manifest. Some of the children in the rural districts have been greatly interested in gardening. Harold Booth in the Washington District received \$ 16.50 in prizes for exhibits of vegetables at the Fairs. Robert Hanifin, a pupil in Cold Spring, received a third prize for the third best crop of corn from one half acre of land. This he received as a member of the "Corn Club" conducted by the State Agricultural College.

All the pupils in our schools have complied with the law relating to vaccination. Hereafter no child will be admitted to our public schools who does not furnish a certificate of vaccination or a certificate signed by a physician exempting him from vaccination.

The new building at Franklin was opened at the beginning of the winter term. The three rooms were occupied with an attendance of eighty pupils. The new business, preparation for which is underway, and the new law which requires all children between fourteen and sixteen years of age to regularly attend school unless they are regularly employed, will, without doubt, greatly increase the attendance.

I will call your attention to two important changes in the school laws relating to attendance.

(1) The standard of requirements of an education, before employment can be given to children between fourteen and sixteen years of age, has been raised from the completion of the work required in the third grade to the completion of the work required in the fourth grade.

(2) Children between fourteen and sixteen years of age must now be employed in some profitable employment for at least six hours a day or they must have the written permission of the superintendent of schools to engage in profitable employment at home, otherwise they must attend school with the same regularity as children between seven and fourteen years of age.

In closing I will call your attention to the report of the principal of the high school and to that of the teacher of music and drawing, Miss Jessica Ballou, who has had charge of that work during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAN R. LEWIS.

Feb. 2, 1914.



## Report of High School Principal.

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*To the School Superintendent:*

Dear Sir:-

In accordance with the direction of Mr. Kingsley, an agent of the State Board of Education, a change in the curriculum lessened the number of subjects, allowed five recitation periods of 40 to 45 minutes each per week and made it possible for a pupil to secure the minimum of fourteen credits necessary for graduation in his course. While some pupils may require five years to complete the course, most of them will need but four; few will complete it in three. This course meets college entrance requirements.

A brief survey of conditions existing in this community favors introducing a commercial course into this school. While some may question the advisability of turning out wage-earners, that is what most of us are, even after some years spent in higher institutions of learning. In entering upon such a course, we are not venturing upon the untried, inasmuch as in similar high schools it meets with hearty favor, if the number of pupils taking it may be considered an indication of its desirability. With a prospect of agreeable employment awaiting its completion, we may well hope for an increasing number of pupils to be graduated. Hand and mind alike will receive training, the former tending to stimulate and quicken the latter. Such a course ought to help the pupil 'to find himself,' to

get his bearings and to lay his course for a career more congenial and better suited to his ability. They may reasonably be expected to be well trained in what are essentials to begin service in the demands of business and to make creditable progress from the start.

While agricultural and domestic arts courses appeal strongly to many, yet present conditions hardly warrant introducing them. When community service demands them and they can be financed, their introduction will mark another forward step in our school. But previous to their introduction water is a necessity. Present science courses are seriously hampered by its lack. With water, individual equipment, a laboratory table and 'pad' chairs, classroom conditions will be much improved.

Appreciating the good spirit of the school and commending the pupils for their cheerful and faithful efforts to do the required work, I respectfully submit the above.

THOMAS ALLEN.

## Report of Teacher of Music.

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*To the Superintendent of Schools, Belchertown :*

On beginning my work in music I found the classes well prepared for the work which has been required of them. This is especially true of the grades below the grammar school, where the pupils began the study of sight singing early in their course.

The new books which have been introduced in the grades have given plenty of splendid material for chorus singing of exercises and songs. The individual work has not been abandoned, but a given section of the book is also studied each week. At present, the grammar school is working with the high school but later will continue the three and four part singing in their own book.

The high school has studied selections from the book already provided and some theory has been taught. Now the pupils are at work upon a standard cantata.

In the drawing outline which I give to the teachers, material for one or two lessons a week is outlined, and the teachers work out the lessons.

I wish to thank the superintendent and teachers for their hearty co-operation with me in the work.

JESSICA E. BALLOU,

*Supervisor of Music and Drawing.*



## REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

BELCHERTOWN, FEB. 1, 1914.

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

All the schools have been visited and each pupil examined. I found the children in better physical condition than any previous year.

Every pupil complied with the vaccination law which shows that the parents are working in unison with the school board.

JAMES L. COLLARD, *School Physician.*

## REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER.

BELCHERTOWN, FEB. 1, 1914.

*To the School Committee:*

I have received during the year from the School Committee, Teachers and Superintendent 18 summonses to absentees from school. To all of these I have given prompt attention, and have seen that they have attended school.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Truant Officer.*

## Class Ode

Classmates, now the time is nigh  
When we leave the school so dear,  
But we will not breathe a sigh,  
Nor will shed a single tear.  
And the hope that thou hast given,—  
May it richer, fuller be!—  
Will abide in those who follow,  
As the strength we gained from thee.

Alma mater, now we're fitted  
For the stirring battle strife.  
Thanks to thee we gladly offer  
For that bounteous aid to life,  
For a nobler understanding,  
For a greater sympathy,  
So that we may share our knowledge  
As the gift received from thee.

Classmates, see what lies before us!  
'Tis the path of life to run;  
See the glory hovering o'er us  
From the glorious rising sun!  
"Onward! Upward!" be our motto,  
"Till the goal we win!" and we,  
Striving, struggling ever upward,  
Reach the perfect goal we see.

*Carl Corliss*

# Graduation Exercises Of The Belchertown High School . . .

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JUNE 19

1913

Congregational Church

8 P. M.

# Program

PROCESSIONAL  
PRAYER

REV. E. P. KELLY

"Roman War Hymn"

CHORUS

SALUTATORY, "Nature's Pageant"

EDNA M. DOOLITTLE

HISTORY, "Class of 1913"

HELEN H. BROWN

"Waltz Song"

GIRLS' CHORUS

ORATION, "Past, Present and Future of Belchertown"

HAROLD K. ALLEN

ESSAY, "The Caribbean Crisis"

LILLIAN H. AUSTIN

PROPHECY, "Apollo Speaks"

M. MAYBELLE BOWLER

"Springtime"

CHORUS

LEGACY

ESTHER S. JACKSON

ESSAY, "The Menace of the Trusts"

LOWDZAR ANTANOVITCH

"Lullaby"

GIRLS' CHORUS

VALEDICTORY

LILLIAN H. AUSTIN

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

ROS WELL ALLEN, Chairman of School Board

"Even Bravest Heart May Swell"

CHORUS

BENEDICTION

REV. E. P. KELLY

Miss S. Belle Snow, Organist

Miss Alice Bolter, Violinist

Mrs. Lucy A. Gatchell, Musical Director

# Graduates

HAROLD KENNETH ALLEN

LOWDZAR ANTANOVITCH

LILLIAN HONORA AUSTIN

MARGUERITE MAYBELLE BOWLER

HELEN HAZEL BROWN

CARL CORLISS

EDNA MAY DOOLITTLE

ESTHER SARAH JACKSON

LILLIAN HONORA AUSTIN, *President*

MARGUERITE MAYBELLE BOWLER, *Vice-President*

EDNA MAY DOOLITTLE, *Secretary*

HELEN HAZEL BROWN, *Treasurer*

# Motto

"Onward! Upward! Till The Goal We Win!"

# Class Colors

Lavender and White

# Class Flower

White Rose

# Faure

# Baldwin

# Gounod



## SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

## TEACHERS' WAGES.

|                               |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| Walter F. Burt,               | \$ 500.00         |
| Thomas Allen,                 | 550.00            |
| Helen Goodspeed,              | 282.58            |
| Ruth Abbott,                  | 512.50            |
| Ruth Perkins,                 | 250.00            |
| Marion Bartlett, Sub.,        | 14.50             |
| Katherine Sampson,            | 221.00            |
| Lena Ripley,                  | 237.50            |
| S. Belle Snow,                | 360.00            |
| Rachel Lapolice,              | 166.00            |
| Mae L. R. Fenton,             | 190.00            |
| Nellie G. Shea,               | 342.00            |
| Nellie Sullivan,              | 380.00            |
| Lily Barber,                  | 360.00            |
| Roland Shaw,                  | 324.00            |
| Bridget Fitzgerald,           | 306.00            |
| Sara Demarest,                | 132.50            |
| Ella Moriarty,                | 315.00            |
| Libbie Gutberlett,            | 168.00            |
| Elizabeth Doyle,              | 93.50             |
| May Horr,                     | 119.00            |
| Edith Towne,                  | 324.00            |
| Clifton Witt,                 | 126.00            |
| Katherine Moriarty,           | 204.00            |
| Marion Ketchen,               | 102.00            |
| Sylvia Morton,                | 36.00             |
| Mabel Bowler,                 | 24.00             |
| Florence Baggs,               | 20.00             |
| Lucy A. Gatchell, drawing,    | 9.50              |
| Jessica Ballou,       “       | 9.50              |
|                               | <hr/> \$ 6,679.08 |
| Paid orders issued last year, |                   |
| Libbie Gutberlett,            | \$ 120.00         |

|                |       |           |
|----------------|-------|-----------|
| S. Belle Snow, | 20.00 |           |
|                | <hr/> | \$ 140.00 |

## MUSIC.

|                   |          |          |
|-------------------|----------|----------|
| Lucy A. Gatchell, | \$ 46.00 |          |
| Jessica Ballou,   | 46.00    |          |
|                   | <hr/>    | \$ 92.00 |

## REPAIRS.

|                           |           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation, Mar. 1913, |           | \$ 200.00 |
| Overdrawn,                |           | 58.48     |
| Paid E. F. Flaherty,      | \$ 1.00   |           |
| E. E. Mead,               | 4.05      |           |
| H. L. Hadlock,            | 64.59     |           |
| D. F. Austin,             | 23.86     |           |
| Geo. H. McClean,          | 53.67     |           |
| E. A. Fuller,             | 3.69      |           |
| H. E. Atwood,             | 12.47     |           |
| W. D. E. Morse,           | 1.00      |           |
| Haywood Bros.,            | 45.98     |           |
| P. J. Landers,            | 2.50      |           |
| Daniel McDonnell,         | .95       |           |
| B. L. Thrasher,           | 1.10      |           |
| T. D. Potter,             | 2.82      |           |
| W. D. Dunbar,             | 29.80     |           |
| P. J. Keyes,              | 3.00      |           |
| H. D. Hoag,               | 8.00      |           |
|                           | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |
|                           | \$ 258.48 | \$ 258.48 |

## SCHOOL RESOURCES.

|                           |             |              |
|---------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Balance Feb. 1, 1913,     | \$ 1,303.44 |              |
| Appropriation, Mar. 1913, | 6,500.00    |              |
| Rec'd from Bridgman fund, | 257.70      |              |
| State School fund,        | 1,172.51    |              |
| " Superintendency fund,   | 900.00      |              |
| " wards' tuition,         | 503.00      |              |
| Longley fund for music,   | 252.28      |              |
|                           | <hr/>       | \$ 10,888.93 |

## SCHOOL EXPENDITURES.

|                                  |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Teachers' wages from treasury,   | \$ 6,561.38 * |
| “ “ Bridgman fund,               | 257.70        |
| “ “ Longley fund, music,         | 92.00         |
| School supervision,              | 1,193.33      |
| Books and supplies,              | 345.47        |
| Fuel,                            | 789.87        |
| Janitors and janitors' supplies, | 309.45        |
| Transportation,                  | 651.90        |
| Miscellaneous,                   | 149.40        |
|                                  | <hr/>         |
|                                  | \$ 10,350.50  |
| Unexpended balance,              | 538.43        |
|                                  | <hr/>         |
|                                  | \$ 10,888.93  |

\* This sum includes \$ 140.00 paid on orders issued last year.

## JANITORS AND SUPPLIES.

|                     |           |
|---------------------|-----------|
| H. L. Hadlock,      | \$ 211.90 |
| D. L. Hazen,        | 56.55     |
| C. B. Dolge,        | 7.00      |
| Fred Axall,         | 3.50      |
| Marion Ketchen,     | 3.50      |
| Edith Towne,        | 3.50      |
| May Horr,           | 3.50      |
| Bridget Fitzgerald, | 3.50      |
| Elizabeth Doyle,    | 3.50      |
| Lily Barber,        | 5.00      |
| Roland Shaw,        | 3.50      |
| Libbie Gutberlett,  | 4.50      |
|                     | <hr/>     |
|                     | \$ 309.45 |

## TRANSPORTATION.

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| W. L. Clough,     | \$ 280.00 |
| B. F. Hubbard,    | 60.40     |
| Franklin Fleming, | 85.00     |
| E. E. Gay,        | 72.00     |
| T. Ward Hartley,  | 108.00    |
| M. W. Banks,      | 5.00      |
| C. L. Hubbard,    | 14.15     |



|                 |          |           |
|-----------------|----------|-----------|
| Rosabelle Olds, | \$ 19.50 |           |
| Fannie Thayer,  | 7.50     |           |
|                 | <hr/>    | \$ 651.90 |

## SUPERVISION.

|                   |             |             |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Alvan R. Lewis,   | \$ 1,080.00 |             |
| Roswell Allen,    | 35.00       |             |
| R. E. Fairchild,  | 25.00       |             |
| M. C. Baggs,      | 8.33        |             |
| D. F. Shumway,    | 20.00       |             |
| James L. Collard, | 25.00       |             |
|                   | <hr/>       | \$ 1,193.33 |

## BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

|                      |           |           |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| E. E. Babb & Co.,    | \$ 228.39 |           |
| D. L. Hazen,         | 49.73     |           |
| D. C. Heath,         | 14.83     |           |
| Allyn & Bacon,       | 12.50     |           |
| Houghton & Mifflin,  | 3.20      |           |
| E. C. Kusterer,      | 5.50      |           |
| American Book Co.,   | 15.93     |           |
| Ginn & Co.,          | 7.07      |           |
| Little, Brown & Co., | 5.03      |           |
| Milton Bradley,      | 3.29      |           |
|                      | <hr/>     | \$ 345.47 |

## FUEL.

|                     |           |  |
|---------------------|-----------|--|
| E. A. Fuller & Co., | \$ 257.82 |  |
| R. E. Fairchild,    | 178.50    |  |
| Carl Jensen,        | 105.50    |  |
| W. D. E. Morse,     | 59.00     |  |
| L. H. Lincoln,      | 34.50     |  |
| E. F. Towne,        | 19.80     |  |
| Town Farm,          | 12.00     |  |
| A. L. Kimball,      | 11.25     |  |
| L. A. Randolph,     | 10.00     |  |
| E. F. Shumway,      | 40.00     |  |
| P. J. Landers,      | 15.00     |  |

|                 |       |           |
|-----------------|-------|-----------|
| E. F. Flaherty, | 30.00 |           |
| A. E. Howard,   | 7.75  |           |
| Henry H. Witt,  | 6.00  |           |
| A. S. Brown,    | 2.00  |           |
| Pratt Bros.,    | .75   |           |
|                 |       | <hr/>     |
|                 |       | \$ 789.87 |

## MISCELLANEOUS.

|                                        |         |           |
|----------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| H. R. Gould, carting,                  | \$ 0.78 |           |
| L. H. Blackmer, printing,              | 23.39   |           |
| C. B. Dolge & Co., floor dressing,     | 7.00    |           |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., fertilizer,        | 1.60    |           |
| Cora Schvert, cleaning,                | 4.50    |           |
| P. J. Mansfield, cleaning vaults,      | 1.00    |           |
| H. M. Alden, cleaning vaults,          | 1.50    |           |
| W. M. Welch, diplomas,                 | 10.56   |           |
| H. A. Hopkins, ribbon,                 | 1.88    |           |
| Cong. Church Society, rent,            | 5.00    |           |
| A. E. Claflin, cleaning vaults,        | 8.01    |           |
| Springfield Union, advertising,        | 1.40    |           |
| “ Rep. “                               | 1.08    |           |
| C. J. Phillips, tuning piano,          | 5.00    |           |
| A. S. Lovett, cleaning vaults,         | 1.00    |           |
| Arthur Lovering, inspecting boiler,    | 2.00    |           |
| Alvan R. Lewis, fares, telephone etc., | 6.03    |           |
| Roswell Allen, extra expenses,         | 53.67   |           |
| E. F. Shumway, carting and labor,      | 14.00   |           |
|                                        |         | <hr/>     |
|                                        |         | \$ 149.40 |

## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

|                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| Whole number attending,          | 439 |
| Number enrolled,                 | 402 |
| “ over 15 years of age,          | 45  |
| “ between 5 and 15 years of age, | 357 |
| “ “ 7 and 14 “                   | 293 |
| Average membership,              | 360 |
| “ attendance,                    | 332 |
| Per cent of attendance,          | 92  |

### APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED.

For support of schools, to include teachers' wages,—high school 40 weeks, common schools 36 weeks, transportation, fuel, books, incidental supplies, salary of school committee, superintendent, truant officers, school physician and janitors, \$ 7,000.00

For repairs and furnishings, 400.00

\$ 7,400.00

ROSWELL ALLEN,  
R. E. FAIRCHILD,  
M. C. BAGGS,

}  
} *School*  
} *Committee.*

### SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE,

For year ending June 30, 1913.

| SCHOOLS                      | Whole Number. | No. enrolled. | No. over 15. | No. between 5 and 15. | No. between 7 and 14. | Av. Membership. | Av. Attendance. |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| High. . . . .                | 43            | 43            | 30           | 13                    | 4                     | 40              | 37              |
| Center Grammar. . . . .      | 41            | 41            | 12           | 29                    | 25                    | 37              | 35              |
| Center Intermediate. . . . . | 41            | 41            | 2            | 39                    | 38                    | 37              | 35              |
| Center Primary. . . . .      | 40            | 40            | 0            | 40                    | 30                    | 35              | 33              |
| Cold Spring. . . . .         | 17            | 17            | 0            | 17                    | 9                     | 11              | 10              |
| Franklin Grammar.* . . . .   | 37            | 28            | 0            | 28                    | 26                    | 33              | 31              |
| Franklin Primary* . . . . .  | 42            | 42            | 0            | 42                    | 30                    | 35              | 33              |
| Liberty. . . . .             | 40            | 35            | 0            | 35                    | 27                    | 30              | 27              |
| Washington. . . . .          | 26            | 21            | 0            | 21                    | 18                    | 22              | 18              |
| Rock Rimmon . . . . .        |               |               |              |                       |                       |                 |                 |
| Chestnut Hill . . . . .      | 23            | 20            | 0            | 20                    | 20                    | 18              | 17              |
| Holyoke . . . . .            |               |               |              |                       |                       |                 |                 |
| Federal . . . . .            | 25            | 22            | 0            | 22                    | 18                    | 21              | 20              |
| Lake Vale. . . . .           | 28            | 16            | 0            | 16                    | 14                    | 17              | 16              |
| Union. . . . .               | 15            | 15            | 0            | 15                    | 13                    | 11              | 9               |
| West Hill . . . . .          | 10            | 10            | 0            | 10                    | 10                    | 6               | 5               |
| East Hill. . . . .           |               |               |              |                       |                       |                 |                 |
| Laurel. . . . .              |               |               |              |                       |                       |                 |                 |
| Blue Meadow . . . . .        | 11            | 11            | 1            | 10                    | 11                    | 7               | 6               |
|                              | 439           | 402           | 45           | 357                   | 293                   | 360             | 332             |

\* These registers were burned. Record is estimated.



## Roll of Honor.

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### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE ONE YEAR.

|                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Hazel Barrett,  | Alice Flaherty, |
| Donald Sherman, | Polley LeBida.  |
| Edward Sargent, |                 |

### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE TWO TERMS.

|                  |                      |
|------------------|----------------------|
| Carl Corliss,    | Mildred Terwilliger, |
| Luella Bardwell, | Jennie Wludyka,      |
| Henry Rys,       | John McLean,         |
| Bronka Kulic,    | George Ardell,       |
| Henry Bears,     | Julia Cavanaugh,     |
| Agnes Hanifin,   | Edward Sneider,      |
| Edward Isaac,    | Edward Kroll,        |
| Belding Jackson, | Edward Kulic,        |
| Wilfred Noel,    |                      |

### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE ONE TERM.

|                       |                      |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Celia Blackmer,       | Elizabeth Cavanaugh, |
| Olive Demarest,       | Etta Marsh,          |
| Waring Randall,       | Olive Isaac,         |
| Beatrice Squires,     | Alfreda Hubbard,     |
| Elizabeth Fitzgerald, | Francis Jackman,     |
| Lucy Warner,          | Bertha Kenfield,     |
| Pearl Dunbar,         | Leona Farley,        |
| Charles Glover,       | Cora Kroll,          |

Susie Squires,  
 Emma Stadler,  
 Floyd Peeso,  
 Florence Clough,  
 Celinda Clough,  
 Timothy Maloney,  
 Lawrence Davis,  
 George Dewey,  
 Albert Kulic,  
 Mary Ann Sullivan,  
 Newell Booth,  
 Georgianna Marsh,  
 William Archambault,  
 Garfield Hubbard,  
 Fred Crane,  
 Leo Jenks,  
 Annie Pranaitis,  
 John Mashonski,  
 Laura Terwilliger,  
 Blake Jackson,  
 Mildred Jensen,  
 Walter Dodge,  
 Carrie Atwood,  
 Florence Robinson,  
 Chester Cook,  
 James Aldrich,  
 Bertha Weston,  
 Julia Schvert,  
 Michael Keyes,

John Flaherty,  
 Katie Kroll,  
 Joseph Kulic,  
 Maurice Landers,  
 Joanna McKelligott,  
 Staffie Murray,  
 Helen Rys,  
 Annie Sullivan,  
 Mildred Sullivan,  
 Joseph Syper,  
 Amerego Tarant,  
 Alvie George,  
 Irene Hanifin,  
 Patrick Landers,  
 Helen Boldue,  
 Andrew Kulic,  
 Katherine Landers,  
 Nellie Landers,  
 John McKelligott,  
 David Rose,  
 John Schvert,  
 James Sullivan,  
 Jessie Sufnaski,  
 Elizabeth Gula,  
 Howard McLean,  
 Milton George,  
 Thomas Landers,  
 Nellie Cavanaugh.

# Town Warrant.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,  
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections, and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday the second day of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

ART. 3. To choose the following named town officers: A Town Clerk, three Selectmen, a Treasurer, an Auditor, five Constables, a Tax Collector, all for one year; one School Committee for three years and one for one year; one Burial Ground Commissioner for three years and one for two years; one Assessor for three years; also to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town. Also to vote upon the question, "Shall chapter 807 of the acts of 1913, being an act to provide for compensating laborers, workmen and mechanics for injuries sustained in public employment, and to exempt from legal liability counties and municipal corporations which pay such compensation, be accepted by the inhabitants of this town?" Also to vote upon the question, "Shall this town accept the provisions of section 42 of chapter 514 of the acts of 1909 as affected by chapter 494 of the acts of 1911 which provide that eight hours shall constitute a day's work for city or town employees?" Vote "yes" or "no," all on one ballot in accordance



with the Australian ballot system, adopted by the town, November 4, 1890.

ART. 4. To choose the following named town officers by nomination: One Tree Warden, three Fence Viewers, eight Measurers of Wood, eight Surveyors of Lumber, six Field Drivers, two Almoners of the Whiting Street Fund, and Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Fund, all for one year, and one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

ART. 5. To raise money for the support of schools, to include the cost of fuel, school books, and other supplies, and transportation, also salaries of teachers, School Committee, Superintendent, Truant Officers, Janitors and incidentals.

ART. 6. To raise money for the repair of school-houses.

ART. 7. To raise money to defray pauper expenses.

ART. 8. To raise money to defray town expenses.

ART. 9. To raise money to repair highways and bridges and to take such action as the town shall deem best.

ART. 10. To see if the town will vote to pay for the bonds of the Treasurer.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to pay for the bonds, stationery and postage of the Tax Collector, in addition to his salary of one hundred dollars.

ART. 12. To see what action the town will take in regard to the use and care of the town house.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise money to defray the expense of lighting the streets for the year ensuing, and take any action relative thereto.

ART. 14. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the taxes of the municipal year beginning Feb. 1, 1914, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 18,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year.

ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to fix the time when all taxes must be paid, also to see if the town will allow a discount on all taxes paid on or before a certain date or dates, and act thereon.

ART. 16. To see if the town will employ a person to ring the bell and care for the town clock, and act thereon.

ART. 17. To see if the town will raise money to defray the expense of mowing, fencing and keeping in repair the several burying grounds, and act thereon.

ART. 18. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee of three, to be known as the committee on appropriations, who shall carefully investigate, and report to the next annual meeting the amounts needed in the several departments to be expended the ensuing year.

ART. 19. To raise the sum of \$ 1500.00 to meet a note due at Amherst Saving Bank, Jan. 26, 1915.

ART. 20. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 400.00 to pay discounts on notes.

ART. 21. To see if the town will raise a sum of money to aid in the suppression of the Brown Tail Moth as required in chapter 381, acts of 1905, and amendments thereto.

ART. 22. To hear the report of any committee or committees whose duty it may be to report at this meeting.

ART. 23. To hear the report of the selectmen on guide boards.

ART. 24. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 200.00 for spraying and trimming shade trees.

ART. 25. To see if the town will vote to build a new sewer beginning at a point on the north side of the highway leading from Bondsville to Belchertown near the house of Anthony Wludyka, thence across the said road about 33 feet to land of the B. & A. R. R., thence on land of said road about 150 feet to the highway leading from Bondsville to Ludlow, thence on said road about 400 feet to a point near the house of John Garvey and from a point in said road near the house of James Shea about 100 feet to Swift River as shown by sketch sent to the town in the year 1911.

ART. 26. To see what action the town will take in regard to furnishing room for G. A. R. Post and raise money for the same.

ART. 27. To see what action the town will take in regard to salaries of all town officers.



ART. 28. To see if the town will vote to accept \$ 100.00 to care for the lot and graves in the South Cemetery of Charles W. Pratt and Sophronia Pratt and keep the names on the monument plain of Warner Pratt, Charles W. Pratt and Sophronia Pratt if no other stones are placed there; but if head stones are placed there, keep them in good order and the names plain.

ART. 29. To see if the town will instruct its cemetery commissioners to permit Mary Demarest to remove a portion of the stone wall on the southerly side of Mount Hope Cemetery, thus adding several burial lots thereto, the said Mary Demarest to have the disposal of these added lots; all of the above to be on condition that she shall properly lay out, grade and fence the proposed addition at no expense to the town, and that it shall then be conveyed to the town in the same manner that Mount Hope and its additions have heretofore been conveyed.

ART. 30. To see if the town will petition the director of the bureau of statistics for an audit of its accounts in accordance with the provisions of chapter 598, acts of 1910 and amendments thereof.

ART. 31. To see if the town will vote to put six more lights in the south end, one at the Boston & Albany station, one at Lander's corner, one at Franklin school house, one at the house of Joseph Flaherty, one at the house of Joseph Kulic, one at the house of James Fitzgerald, and raise money for same or take whatever action is necessary.

ART. 32. To see if the town will vote to take any action relating to the safety and security of the liberty pole on the park and appropriate money for the same, and also to choose a committee to carry into effect the vote of the town in relation thereto.

ART. 33. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 250.00 to build a cinder or gravel walk in south Belchertown beginning at the house of John Sullivan, running to the Franklin school house, then beginning at Lander's corner and running down to the house of John Flaherty.

ART. 34. We, the undersigned legal voters, respectfully petition that you insert in the warrant for the coming town meeting, an article asking that the Fire Department be allowed the use of the hall



over the engine house, agreeable to a petition signed by James A. Peeso and nine others.

ART. 35. To see if the town will vote to increase the salary of the tax collector \$ 50.00 in addition to his present salary.

ART. 36. To see if the town will instruct its assessors to act as a board of appraisers, make a revised valuation of all property in the town that is or may be subject to taxation, have a special report of same printed for distribution so that each tax payer may have a copy; petition of Roswell Allen and ten others.

ART. 37. To see what action the town will take in regard to furnishing more fire proof vault or safe room for protection of town records, and raise money for same.

ART. 38. To see if the town will raise \$ 100.00 to purchase more fire extinguishers.

ART. 39. To see what action the town will take in regard to changing date of our annual town meeting from the 1st Monday in March to the 1st Monday in February and act thereon.

ART. 40. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to add a cash book to the present method of book-keeping in the treasurer's office and require it to be posted at least once a week, also such other account books as they may deem necessary, and act thereon.

ART. 41. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Polls to be opened at 10.30 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 3 o'clock P. M., unless otherwise ordered by vote of the town.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight, and one at Tylerville, seven days before the time of holding the aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of February A. D. 1914.

|                     |                                                       |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| E. A. R. FAIRCHILD, | } <i>Selectmen</i><br><i>of</i><br><i>Belchertown</i> |
| J. J. GARVEY,       |                                                       |
| E. F. SHUMWAY,      |                                                       |









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# Minutes of Town Meeting, held March 2, 1914.

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Meeting called to order at 10 o'clock by A. Bridgman, Town Clerk, who read the warrant and then called for action under article one.

## ARTICLE 1.

Moderator chosen, G. H. B. Green.

Prayer was offered by Rev. E. P. Kelly.

## ARTICLE 2.

Voted to waive the reading of all reports and then accepted them in their regular order except the last clause in the Auditor's report.

## ARTICLE 4.

Ballot Clerks, Tellers, and Counters sworn, ballots delivered to Ballot Clerks and receipt taken. Keys to ballot box given to M. S. Barton, constable, ballot box opened and found empty, polls opened at 10-45.

Ballot Clerks, E. L. Schmidt and Charles Austin.

Tellers, E. E. Stebbins and C. R. Aldrich.

Gate Keepers, C. R. Green and C. W. Hathaway.

Counters, A. R. Lewis, William Kelley, C. W. Canterbury and W. S. Piper.

Tree Warden, James A. Peeso.

Three Fence Viewers, A. L. Pratt, H. H. Witt and W. M. Goodell.

Six Field Drivers, Walter Morse, James W. Thayer, Herbert Paine, E. E. Gay, Ashley Randall and E. L. Schmidt.

8 Measurers of Wood.

Frank Austin

James A. Peeso

E. A. R. Fairchild

Lyman Randolph

W. M. Goodell

E. A. Fuller

H. H. Barrett

E. F. Shumway

8 Surveyors of Lumber.

Eugene Flaherty

A. L. Kimball

Harry Conkey

James A. Peeso

E. R. Peeso

E. F. Shumway

H. S. Pratt

F. M. Fuller

Two Almoners of Whiting Street and Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Fund, Mrs. Geo. L. Witt and Mrs. Myron G. Ward.

One Trustee of Calvin Bridgman Fund, Guy C. Allen.

#### ARTICLE 5.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 6,500.00 for support of schools.

#### ARTICLE 6.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 200.00 for repair of school houses.

#### ARTICLE 7.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 1,000.00 for pauper expenses.

#### ARTICLE 8.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 2,000.00 for town expenses.

#### ARTICLE 9.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 3,000.00 for highways and bridges, of which \$ 500.00 is for permanent repairs in the village.

#### ARTICLE 10.

Voted to pay for the Treasurer's bond.



## ARTICLE 11.

Voted to pay for the Collector's bond, stationery, and postage.

## ARTICLE 12.

Voted to leave the use and care of the town house with the Selectmen. Then voted to take up article 25.

## ARTICLE 25.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 400.00 to build a sewer at the south part of the town. And that the selectmen require of the contractor a suitable bond for the satisfactory completion of the sewer for the amount named viz \$ 400.00. At 1-30 o'clock took out 150 ballots and the ballot clerks began to count.

## ARTICLE 33.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 250.00 to build a cinder or gravel walk at the south part of the town.

## ARTICLE 31.

Voted to install five lights at the south part of the town.

## ARTICLE 29.

Voted to instruct the Cemetery Commissioner to permit.

## ARTICLE 13.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 1,000.00 for the purpose of lighting the streets.

## ARTICLE 14.

Voted that the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning Feb. 1st., 1914, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 18,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

## ARTICLE 15.

Voted to charge interest after Oct. 1st. 1914, at the rate of 6 per cent, and no discount be allowed.

## ARTICLE 16.

Voted to leave the ringing of the bell and care of the town clock with the selectmen.

## ARTICLE 17.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

## ARTICLE 18.

Voted to choose a committee of three to be known as the committee on appropriation, and M. S. Barton, G. C. Allen and M. G. Ward were chosen.

## ARTICLE 19.

Voted to raise \$ 1,500.00 to meet a note due Jan. 26, 1915.

## ARTICLE 20.

Voted to raise \$ 400.00 to pay discount on note.

## ARTICLE 21.

Voted to raise \$ 100.00 to aid in the suppression of the brown tail moth.

## ARTICLE 22.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

## ARTICLE 23.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

## ARTICLE 24.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 200.00 for spraying and trimming shade trees.

## ARTICLE 26.

Voted that the selectmen procure a room for the G. A. R. and that the town pay the rent. At 3-15 o'clock voted to keep the polls open until 4 o'clock.

## ARTICLE 27.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

## ARTICLE 28.

Voted to accept the \$ 100.00 for the care of the Pratt lot in South Cemetery.

## ARTICLE 30.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

## ARTICLE 32.

Voted to appropriate \$ 50.00 in regard to the Liberty Pole and that the selectmen be a committee to carry in effect.

## ARTICLE 34.

Voted to give the use of the Hall to the Fire Department.

## ARTICLE 35.

Voted to increase the salary of the tax collector in addition to his present salary.

## ARTICLE 36.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

## ARTICLE 37.

Voted to leave with the selectmen.

## ARTICLE 38.

Voted to appropriate the sum of \$ 100.00 to purchase more fire extinguishers. Voted to keep the polls open for 15 minutes.

## ARTICLE 39.

Voted to change the date of our annual town meeting from the first Monday in March to the first Monday in February.

## ARTICLE 40.

Voted to instruct the selectmen to add a cash book.

## ARTICLE 41.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.



## ARTICLE 3.

At 6 o'clock the counting of the ballots being completed the clerk announced as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, males 273, females none.

## TOWN CLERK.

Arthur Bridgman, 210 votes, blanks 63.

## SELECTMEN.

|                   |            |                             |
|-------------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| F. M. Fuller,     | 213 votes, | John J. Garvey, 219 votes,  |
| Edwin F. Shumway, | 212 votes, | E. A. R. Fairchild, 1 vote, |
| M. S. Barton,     | 1 vote,    | E. R. Peeso, 2 votes,       |
| G. H. B. Green,   | 1 vote,    | E. C. Witt, 1 vote,         |
| M. G. Ward,       | 1 vote,    | Blanks 188.                 |

## TREASURER.

Arthur Bridgman, 227 votes, blanks 46.

## AUDITOR.

George F. Lincoln, 196 votes, D. D. Hazen, 1 vote, blanks 76.

## ASSESSOR for 3 years.

|                      |            |              |          |
|----------------------|------------|--------------|----------|
| James A. Peeso,      | 195 votes, | A. L. Pratt, | 3 votes, |
| Charles B. Knowlton, | 1 vote,    | Blanks       | 74.      |

## CONSTABLES.

|                     |            |                  |            |
|---------------------|------------|------------------|------------|
| Frank E. Austin,    | 117 votes, | M. F. Austin,    | 127 votes, |
| M. S. Barton,       | 149 votes, | E. F. Flaherty,  | 138 votes, |
| Allison L. Kimball, | 83 votes,  | Thomas Landers,  | 75 votes,  |
| James A. Peeso,     | 146 votes, | E. F. Shumway,   | 137 votes, |
| D. F. Shumway,      | 89 votes,  | Joseph Flaherty, | 1 vote,    |
| Blanks              | 33.        |                  |            |

## TAX COLLECTOR.

George S. Warner, 228 votes, Blanks 45.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE for 3 years.

Andrew J. Sayers, 192 votes, Dr. Eliot, 4 votes, Blanks 74.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE for 1 year.

Milton C. Baggs, 171 votes, Blanks 102.

## BURIAL GROUND COMMISSIONER 3 years.

Herbert F. Shaw, 107 votes, A. L. Slater, 85 votes,  
M. S. Barton, 5 votes, G. H. B. Green, 1 vote, blanks 75.

## BURIAL GROUND COMMISSIONER 2 years.

Fred L. Nooney, 176 votes, W. S. Piper 1 vote,  
G. H. B. Green, 2 votes, blanks 94.

Liquor license, yes 135, no 125, blanks 13.

Eight hours for a day's work, yes 99, no 66, blanks 108.

Chapter 807 to exempt for injuries sustained in public employment, yes 81, no 55, blanks 137.

Meeting dissolved at 6 o'clock.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk.*

## Assessors' Report.

|                           |                      |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Valuation of real estate, | \$ 802,930.00        |
| “ personal estate,        | 179,400.00           |
|                           | <u>\$ 982,330.00</u> |

RATE OF TAXATION, \$ 20.00 PER THOUSAND.

|                     |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| Tax on real estate, | \$ 16,058.60        |
| “ personal estate,  | 3,588.00            |
| “ polls,            | 1,074.00            |
|                     | <u>\$ 20,720.60</u> |

WE HAVE ASSESSED THE TAX AS FOLLOWS:

|                                  |                     |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Town schools and other expenses, | \$ 16,550.00        |
| State tax,                       | 2,187.50            |
| State highway,                   | 117.50              |
| County tax,                      | 1,800.85            |
| Overlayings,                     | 64.75               |
|                                  | <u>\$ 20,720.60</u> |

|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Added assessments,                  | \$ 69.00 |
| Number of acres of land assessed,   | 32,662   |
| horses,                             | 525      |
| cows,                               | 1098     |
| sheep,                              | 24       |
| neat cattle other than cows,        | 382      |
| swine,                              | 110      |
| fowls,                              | 5300     |
| Residents assessed on property,     | 529      |
| Non-residents assessed on property, | 122      |
| For poll tax only,                  | 198      |

|               |   |                     |
|---------------|---|---------------------|
| F. E. AUSTIN, | } | <i>Assessors</i>    |
| J. A. PEESO,  |   | <i>of</i>           |
| F. B. ALDEN,  |   | <i>Belchertown.</i> |

I have this day audited account of assessors and find them as above stated.    January 6th, 1915,                      Fred D. Walker, Auditor.



## Collector's Report.

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|                                                                                          |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Balance in Collector's hands Feb. 2, 1914, for tax of 1913,                              | \$ 4,902.18  |
| He has collected interest to the amount of                                               | 95.24        |
| Total,                                                                                   | \$ 4,997.42  |
| He has paid the Treasurer,                                                               | 4,327.31     |
| Balance in Collector's hands,                                                            | \$ 670.11    |
| The amount committed to your Collector as per Assessors' warrant dated August 20, 1914,  | \$ 20,716.30 |
| Amount of added assessments,                                                             | 69.00        |
| Interest collected on taxes from Oct. 1, 1914, to Jan. 1, 1915, as per vote of the town, | 35.95        |
| Total,                                                                                   | \$ 20,821.25 |
| He has collected and paid to the Treasurer,                                              | \$ 13,825.75 |
| Balance in Collector's hands,                                                            | \$ 6,995.50  |

GEORGE S. WARNER, *Collector.*

I have this day audited report of Geo. S. Warner, Tax Collector, and find the above correctly stated.

Jan. 9, 1915.

F. D. WALKER, *Auditor.*

## Selectmen's Report.

### STREET LIGHTS.

|                                          |             |             |
|------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Appropriation,                           | \$ 1,000.00 |             |
| Unexpended balance,                      | 135.61      |             |
|                                          |             | \$ 1,135.61 |
| Central Mass. Electric Co. for February, | \$ 72.91    |             |
| "    "    "    March,                    | 72.91       |             |
| "    "    "    April,                    | 72.41       |             |
| "    "    "    May,                      | 80.21       |             |
| "    "    "    June & July,              | 158.88      |             |
| "    "    "    September,                | 80.21       |             |
| "    "    "    October,                  | 80.21       |             |
| "    "    "    November,                 | 80.21       |             |
| Total expenditures,                      |             | \$ 697.95   |
| Unexpended balance,                      |             | \$ 437.66   |

### SIDEWALK AT SOUTH BELCHERTOWN.

|                  |           |
|------------------|-----------|
| Appropriation,   | \$ 250.00 |
| J. F. Moriarty,  | \$ 40.25  |
| R. N. Baggs,     | 12.25     |
| Thomas Austin,   | 12.25     |
| Thomas Moriarty, | 12.25     |
| E. F. Shumway,   | 17.50     |
| M. C. Bowler,    | 27.50     |
| John Sullivan,   | 7.00      |

|                     |         |           |
|---------------------|---------|-----------|
| Patrick Kennedy,    | \$ 8.35 |           |
| Patrick J. Kennedy, | 22.50   |           |
| T. D. Potter, tile, | 9.33    |           |
| Total expenditures, | —       | \$ 168.68 |
| Unexpended balance, |         | \$ 81.32  |

## MOTH WORK.

|                          |           |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation,           | \$ 100.00 |           |
| Unexpended balance,      | 172.60    |           |
|                          | —         | \$ 272.60 |
| E. C. Howard, moth work, | \$ 68.75  |           |
| “ “ “                    | 125.90    |           |
| “ “ “                    | 30.00     |           |
| Total expenditures,      | —         | \$ 224.65 |
| Unexpended balance,      |           | \$ 47.95  |

## CEMETERY ACCOUNT.

|                                          |           |           |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance,                      | \$ 127.93 |           |
| Interest on cemetery fund,               | 241.56    |           |
|                                          | —         | \$ 369.49 |
| F. L. Nooney, cemetery work,             | \$ 25.00  |           |
| W. S. Howe, cleaning grave stones,       | 10.00     |           |
| F. L. Nooney, cemetery account,          | 23.30     |           |
| W. S. Howe, cleaning stones in Mt. Hope, | 78.50     |           |
| M. S. Barton, cemetery work,             | 11.50     |           |
| F. L. Nooney, “ “                        | 25.00     |           |
| “ “ “                                    | 20.00     |           |
| M. S. Barton, “ “                        | 7.00      |           |
| W. H. Bolter, “ “                        | 5.00      |           |
| F. L. Nooney, “ “                        | 25.00     |           |
| Dan'l Coleman, “ “                       | 5.00      |           |
| M. S. Barton, “ “                        | 11.50     |           |
| F. L. Nooney, “ “                        | 25.00     |           |
| “ “ “                                    | 71.69     |           |
| Total expenditures,                      | —         | \$ 343.49 |
| Unexpended,                              |           | \$ 26.00  |



## LIBERTY POLE.

|                                        |          |          |
|----------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation,                         |          | \$ 50.00 |
| A. M. Baggs, timber for liberty pole,  | \$ 14.40 |          |
| Whitcomb & Faulkner, wire cable,       | 9.10     |          |
| E. R. Peeso, lumber for liberty pole,  | 3.86     |          |
| H. D. Hoag, labor on        "        " | 48.87    |          |
| Total expenditures,                    | —        | \$ 76.23 |
| In excess of appropriation,            |          | \$ 26.23 |

## DISCOUNT ON NOTES.

|                                 |  |           |
|---------------------------------|--|-----------|
| Appropriation,                  |  | \$ 400.00 |
| A. Bridgman, discount on notes, |  | 430.00    |
| In excess of appropriation,     |  | \$ 30.00  |

## SPRAYING.

|                                        |           |           |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation,                         | \$ 200.00 |           |
| Unexpended balance,                    | 29.16     |           |
|                                        | —         | \$ 229.16 |
| Bacon & Farnum, supplies for spraying, | \$ 13.62  |           |
| J. A. Peeso, spraying and supplies,    | 119.58    |           |
| Total expenditures,                    | —         | \$ 133.20 |
| Unexpended balance,                    |           | \$ 95.96  |

## FIRE EXTINGUISHERS.

|                                      |  |           |
|--------------------------------------|--|-----------|
| Appropriation,                       |  | \$ 100.00 |
| Knight & Thomas, fire extinguishers, |  | 135.00    |
| In excess of appropriation,          |  | 35.00     |

Audited, Jan. 12, 1915.

F. D. Walker, *Auditor*.

## TOWN ACCOUNT.

|                                                                     |             |         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------|
| Appropriation,                                                      | \$ 2,000.00 |         |
| H. D. Hoag, labor at town house,                                    |             | \$ 3.00 |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,                                     |             | 4.00    |
| L. A. Shumway, wood for town house,                                 |             | 3.00    |
| H. C. Dodge, wagon spring,                                          |             | 6.00    |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., light for engine house,                 |             | 1.50    |
| "        "        "        "        "        "        town        " |             | 1.37    |

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspection,                                    | \$ 11.70 |
| G. H. B. Green, administering oaths,                               | 6.00     |
| Margaret Moriarty, typewriting,                                    | 5.00     |
| Lewis H. Blackmer, printing,                                       | .60      |
| “ “ “ “ town reports,                                              | 103.50   |
| C. I. Shaw, janitor at town house,                                 | 3.00     |
| R. G. Shaw, services as constable,                                 | 1.50     |
| A. W. Brownell, blanks,                                            | 2.75     |
| A. R. Bridgman, postage and expenses,                              | 6.05     |
| Hobbs & Warren, blanks,                                            | 1.81     |
| J. H. Schoonmaker, legal advice,                                   | 1.00     |
| E. F. Flaherty, inspecting cattle,                                 | 100.00   |
| D. D. Hazen, insurance,                                            | 16.00    |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., light for town house,                  | 4.70     |
| “ “ “ “ “ “ engine house,                                          | .50      |
| W. & L. E. Gurley, supplies for sealer of weights<br>& measures,   | .80      |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspection,                                    | 15.00    |
| W. & L. E. Gurley, supplies for sealer of weights<br>and measures, | 2.59     |
| G. H. B. Green, treasurer's bond,                                  | 20.00    |
| “ “ moderator,                                                     | 5.00     |
| James A. Peeso, services at fires,                                 | 15.50    |
| E. F. Shumway, travelling expenses and postage,                    | 5.25     |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,                                    | 8.00     |
| N. E. Metal Cul. Co., scraper and leveler,                         | 20.00    |
| Hobbs & Warren, supplies,                                          | 1.25     |
| L. A. Shumway, wood for town hall,                                 | 3.00     |
| Central Mass. E. Co., light for town and engine house,             | 3.71     |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspection,                                    | 3.50     |
| J. A. Peeso, services as constable,                                | 2.50     |
| “ “ “ at fires,                                                    | 16.00    |
| D. D. Hazen, liability insurance policy,                           | 60.04    |
| W. & L. E. Gurley, sealers' supplies,                              | 7.61     |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspection,                                    | 10.15    |
| J. F. Hanifin, repairs on scraper,                                 | 3.00     |

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|-----------------------------------------------|---------|
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,               | \$ 4.00 |
| D. F. Austin, plumbing at town farm,          | 22.03   |
| R. G. Shaw, fumigating schools,               | 36.40   |
| D. F. Austin, repairs at engine house,        | 3.20    |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspection,               | 7.35    |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,               | 4.00    |
| J. A. Peeso, mowing park,                     | 5.00    |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspection,               | 5.25    |
| E. F. Shumway, services as constable,         | 5.00    |
| A. Bridgman, car fare and postage,            | 7.55    |
| Lights for engine house,                      | .50     |
| “ “ town house,                               | .75     |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,               | 4.00    |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspection,               | 9.00    |
| D. D. Hazen, insurance,                       | 66.00   |
| F. W. Fellows, oil for engine house,          | 1.08    |
| G. F. Lincoln, bond for tax collector,        | 25.00   |
| R. G. Shaw, fumigating,                       | 2.45    |
| J. A. Peeso, services as sheriff,             | 11.15   |
| Telephone at town hall,                       | 2.43    |
| A. W. Brownell, supplies for town,            | 1.20    |
| Henry Ann, sewer work,                        | 3.37    |
| D. D. Hazen, sewer pipe,                      | 29.70   |
| C. H. Chase, transfers,                       | 14.40   |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,               | 4.00    |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspection,               | 2.00    |
| Dr. J. L. Collard, auto spring,               | 5.00    |
| E. F. Flaherty, cattle inspection,            | 50.00   |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,               | 4.00    |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspection,               | 6.00    |
| Central Mass. E. Co., light for engine house, | .50     |
| “ “ town house,                               | .50     |
| A. W. Brownell, moth notices,                 | 2.25    |
| Miss Mary E. King, local notices,             | .60     |
| Marion E. Bridgman, mailing moth notices,     | 7.36    |
| Lewis H. Blackmer, printing,                  | 8.83    |



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|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|
| N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone for town house,    | \$ 2.86 |
| Wakefield Daily Items, moth notices 1913,           | 2.25    |
| A. J. Morse, legal advice,                          | 2.00    |
| F. F. Dewey, repairing voting booths,               | 4.00    |
| J. A. Peeso, care of insane,                        | 6.00    |
| “ services at fire,                                 | 20.00   |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,                     | 4.00    |
| State Forester, supplies,                           | 8.50    |
| Lewis H. Blackmer, printing,                        | 3.30    |
| Flint Granite Co., sign post,                       | 8.50    |
| N. E. Tel. Co., telephone in town house,            | 1.74    |
| C. V. R. R. Co., freight on stove,                  | 1.05    |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspection,                     | 9.50    |
| J. A. Peeso and witnesses, services in insane case, | 35.50   |
| Cent. Mass. Electric Co., lights for town house,    | .75     |
| “ “ “ engine house,                                 | .50     |
| Aid in scarlet fever case,                          | 66.00   |
| J. J. Garvey, expenses in pauper case,              | 8.00    |
| F. F. Dewey, services as janitor,                   | 4.64    |
| N. W. Farrar, disinfectants,                        | 5.55    |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspection,                     | 8.50    |
| Henry Thrasher, repairs on pipe at town hall,       | 4.30    |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,                     | 4.00    |
| Boston Duck Co., use of hose,                       | 3.00    |
| M. S. Barton, services as constable,                | 13.25   |
| F. F. Dewey, “ janitor,                             | 7.50    |
| Martin Craw, re-wiring in town house,               | 11.15   |
| L. A. Shumway, wood at town house,                  | 3.00    |
| W. M. Bardwell, auto service,                       | .50     |
| Central Mass. Elec. Co., light for engine house,    | .50     |
| “ “ “ town house,                                   | 1.65    |
| E. A. Fuller, coal for engine house,                | 4.66    |
| W. D. Dunbar, repairs on auto,                      | 5.00    |
| G. B. Jackson, care town clock,                     | 4.00    |
| G. H. B. Green, administering oaths, 1913,          | 6.00    |
| C. F. Austin, wood for town house,                  | 5.50    |

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|------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| D. D. Hazen, supplies for town house,          | \$ 32.38    |
| "          insurance,                          | 15.36       |
| M. F. Austin, inspecting meat,                 | 9.60        |
| Harry Sessions, wiring engine house hall,      | 12.00       |
| F. B. Purdy, automobile spring,                | 2.50        |
| M. F. Sullivan, return of deaths,              | 2.50        |
| N. E. Tel. Co., telephone for town house,      | 3.53        |
| James F. Moriarty, meat inspection,            | 21.30       |
| W. D. Randolph,       "      "                 | 7.50        |
| Dr. C. H. Giroux, return of births,            | 2.00        |
| E. F. Flaherty, repairs in town house,         | 1.50        |
| R. G. Shaw, return of deaths,                  | 6.00        |
| L. W. Dillon, rent for G. A. R.,               | 28.00       |
| F. W. Fellows, oil for town house,             | .55         |
| L. A. Shumway, wood for town house,            | 6.00        |
| F. F. Dewey, repairs on town house,            | 1.00        |
| "          services as janitor,                | 6.00        |
| James A. Peeso, services at engine house,      | 15.77       |
| "          "          as forest fire warden,   | 27.35       |
| "          "          as constable,            | 7.00        |
| C. H. Chase, copying deeds,                    | 2.00        |
| Wm. Randolph, meat inspection,                 | 3.15        |
| F. E. Burnett, sealer of weights and measures, | 75.00       |
| D. K. Shumway, burial of soldiers,             | 50.00       |
| <hr/>                                          |             |
| Total of town account,                         | \$ 1,462.87 |
| Total expense of town officers,                | 1,248.60    |
| <hr/>                                          |             |
| Total expense of town account,                 | \$ 2,711.47 |
| In excess of appropriation,                    | \$ 661.47   |

#### SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

|                                       |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| D. K. Shumway, services as registrar, | \$ 5.50 |
| C. R. Aldrich, election officer,      | 1.50    |
| E. F. Shumway, services as constable, | 1.50    |
| A. Bridgman,       "      treasurer,  | 25.00   |

|                                              |          |
|----------------------------------------------|----------|
| G. F. Lincoln, services as auditor,          | \$ 12.00 |
| E. L. Schmidt, election officer,             | 4.50     |
| J. A. Peeso, " "                             | 1.50     |
| F. F. Dewey, " "                             | 5.50     |
| C. F. Austin, " "                            | 1.50     |
| E. D. Stebbins, " "                          | 1.50     |
| W. S. Piper, " "                             | 1.50     |
| Wm. Kelley, " "                              | 1.50     |
| A. Bridgman, services as town clerk,         | 10.00    |
| C. R. Green, election officer,               | 3.00     |
| A. Bridgman, services as treasurer,          | 16.67    |
| " " " town clerk,                            | 23.33    |
| G. F. Lincoln, preparing statistics,         | 15.00    |
| F. M. Fuller, services as selectman,         | 50.00    |
| J. J. Garvey, " "                            | 50.00    |
| E. F. Shumway, " "                           | 50.00    |
| F. F. Dewey, election officer,               | 6.00     |
| E. F. Flaherty, "                            | 6.25     |
| F. E. Austin, "                              | 1.50     |
| C. F. Austin, "                              | 1.50     |
| A. R. Lewis, "                               | 4.50     |
| F. B. Alden, services as assessor,           | 75.00    |
| F. F. Dewey, election officer,               | 1.50     |
| J. A. Peeso, services as assessor,           | 85.00    |
| F. E. Austin, " "                            | 85.00    |
| Roy G. Shaw, election officer,               | 1.50     |
| W. D. E. Morse, "                            | 1.50     |
| D. K. Shumway, "                             | 13.60    |
| F. F. Dewey, services at election,           | 7.60     |
| H. F. Shaw, election officer,                | 1.50     |
| Harry Aldrich, "                             | 1.50     |
| Roswell Allen, services on school committee, | 28.19    |
| F. D. Walker, election officer,              | 3.00     |
| R. Allen, services on school committee,      | 10.00    |
| W. S. Piper, election officer,               | 1.50     |
| E. D. Stebbins, "                            | 1.50     |



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|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| M. C. Baggs, services on school committee,      | \$ 25.00          |
| H. H. Ward, " as registrar,                     | 19.10             |
| F. B. Purdy, election officer,                  | 1.50              |
| Chester Canterbury, election officer,           | 3.00              |
| F. B. Alden, services as assessor,              | 40.00             |
| G. S. Warner, salary for collecting taxes 1913, | 70.00             |
| " " " " 1914,                                   | 75.00             |
| A. Bridgman, services as town clerk,            | 13.71             |
| " " "                                           | 25.00             |
| " " treasurer,                                  | 50.00             |
| " " clerk,                                      | 25.40             |
| " " registrar,                                  | 18.50             |
| J. A. Peeso, " assessor,                        | 30.00             |
| F. E. Austin, " "                               | 30.00             |
| " field books,                                  | 3.75              |
| F. M. Fuller, services as selectman,            | 100.00            |
| J. J. Garvey, " "                               | 50.00             |
| E. F. Shumway, " "                              | 50.00             |
| Total,                                          | ————— \$ 1,248.60 |
| Total of town accounts,                         | \$ 23,660.59      |

Of this account there were appropriations as follows:

|                                                       |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Town expenses,                                        | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Street lights, appropriation and unexpended balance,  | 1,135.61    |
| Side walk at South Belchertown,                       | 250.00      |
| Moth work, appropriation and unexpended balance,      | 272.60      |
| Cemetery account, balance and interest,               | 369.49      |
| Liberty pole appropriation,                           | 50.00       |
| Discount on notes,                                    | 400.00      |
| Support of schools,                                   | 10,251.21   |
| Repairs on school houses,                             | 200.00      |
| Pauper in and out,                                    | 1,000.00    |
| Highways & bridges, appropriations & unexpended bal., | 3,334.62    |
| Sewer at South Belchertown,                           | 400.00      |
| Note due Jan. 1915,                                   | 1,500.00    |

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|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Spraying, appropriation and unexpended balance, | \$ 229.16 |
| Fire extinguishers,                             | 100.00    |
| Income from town farm,                          | 1,539.09  |
| State aid,                                      | 1,779.00  |

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|----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Total appropriations and unexpended balances |              |
| Jan. 1, 1914,                                | \$ 24,810.78 |

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT OF TOTAL EXPENDITURES  
IN THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS.

|                                                                  |             |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Town accounts,                                                   | \$ 1,462.87 |              |
| Town officers,                                                   | 1,248.60    |              |
| Street lights,                                                   | 697.95      |              |
| Side walks,                                                      | 168.68      |              |
| Moth work,                                                       | 224.65      |              |
| Cemetery work,                                                   | 343.49      |              |
| Liberty pole,                                                    | 76.23       |              |
| Discount on notes,                                               | 430.00      |              |
| Spraying,                                                        | 133.20      |              |
| Fire extinguishers,                                              | 135.00      |              |
| Support of schools,                                              | 10,429.62   |              |
| Pauper in,                                                       | 1,689.17    |              |
| Pauper out,                                                      | 1,282.84    |              |
| State aid,                                                       | 1,779.00    |              |
| Highways and bridges,                                            | 3,559.29    |              |
|                                                                  | <hr/>       | \$ 23,660.59 |
| Unexpended balance,                                              |             | \$ 1,150.19  |
| We have issued 493 town orders to the treasurer to the amount of |             |              |
|                                                                  |             | \$ 23,660.59 |

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| F. M. FULLER,  | } | <i>Selectmen<br/>of<br/>Belchertown.</i> |
| E. F. SHUMWAY, |   |                                          |
| J. J. GARVEY,  |   |                                          |

I have this day audited selectmen's report and find the above correct.  
Jan. 14, 1915. F. D. Walker, Auditor.

## Report of the Overseers of Poor.

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### INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

|                           |          |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Bed linen,                | \$ 20.00 |
| Table linen,              | 5.00     |
| Towels etc.,              | 2.00     |
| Curtains,                 | 5.00     |
| Bed spreads and blankets, | 15.00    |
| 5 feather beds,           | 10.00    |
| 3 straw beds,             | 1.50     |
| 6 mattresses,             | 12.00    |
| 15 pillows,               | 5.00     |
| 5 bed springs,            | 10.00    |
| 20 quilts,                | 20.00    |
| 1 bed room set,           | 5.00     |
| 6 iron beds,              | 15.00    |
| 15 bureaus,               | 30.00    |
| 1 stand,                  | .50      |
| 25 chairs,                | 16.00    |
| 1 center table,           | 2.00     |
| 1 sofa,                   | 3.00     |
| 1 dining table,           | 6.00     |
| Spray pump and hose,      | 10.00    |
| Washing machine,          | 5.00     |
| Sewing machine,           | 5.00     |
| Carpet sweeper,           | 2.00     |



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|---------------------------|---------|
| Oil heater,               | \$ 5.00 |
| 2 cook stoves,            | 10.00   |
| 4 stoves,                 | 10.00   |
| Set of dishes,            | 8.00    |
| 2 invalid chairs,         | 20.00   |
| Carpet,                   | 12.00   |
| 2 linoleum                | 4.00    |
| Incubator,                | 3.00    |
| Range,                    | 35.00   |
| Pantry utensils,          | 20.00   |
| 10 lamps,                 | 2.50    |
| Meat and provisions,      | 30.00   |
| 160 gal. of vinegar,      | 12.00   |
| 50 qts. canned fruit,     | 25.00   |
| 80 qts. of pickles,       | 7.00    |
| Jelly,                    | 3.00    |
| 3 bbls. apples,           | 6.00    |
| 50 bu. potatoes,          | 35.00   |
| 200 grain,                | 3.20    |
| 11½ cords of stove wood,  | 57.50   |
| 20 cords of wood in yard, | 60.00   |
| Chains,                   | 2.00    |
| 2 cable chains,           | 4.00    |
| Hoes, shovel etc.,        | 5.00    |
| 125 fowls,                | 90.00   |
| Double sled,              | 30.00   |
| Single sled,              | 7.00    |
| Express sleigh,           | 15.00   |
| Two horse wagon,          | 100.00  |
| Express wagon,            | 15.00   |
| Buggy,                    | 65.00   |
| Dump cart,                | 35.00   |
| Manure spreader,          | 65.00   |
| 1 pr. double harnesses,   | 25.00   |
| Farm harness,             | 10.00   |
| 2 buggy harnesses,        | 18.00   |

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|----------------------------|---------|
| Mowing machine,            | \$ 8.00 |
| Horse rake,                | 18.00   |
| Tedder,                    | 5.00    |
| 5 plows,                   | 15.00   |
| Wheel harrow,              | 20.00   |
| Spring tooth harrow,       | 7.00    |
| Smoothing harrow,          | 5.00    |
| 2 cultivators,             | 5.00    |
| Corn sheller,              | 3.00    |
| Express pole,              | 1.00    |
| Saws and axes,             | 3.00    |
| Feed cutter,               | 5.00    |
| Creamery and cans,         | 25.00   |
| Grind stone,               | 2.00    |
| Paris green gun,           | 1.50    |
| Measures and pails,        | 1.50    |
| Lawn mower,                | 2.00    |
| Stone boat,                | 2.00    |
| Ice tongs,                 | 2.00    |
| Cant hook,                 | 1.00    |
| 65 tons of ice,            | 65.00   |
| Fanning mill,              | 2.00    |
| 30 tons of silage,         | 90.00   |
| Step ladder,               | 1.50    |
| Corn planter,              | 20.00   |
| 2 ladders,                 | 3.50    |
| Lanterns, brooms etc.,     | 5.00    |
| Blankets and robes,        | 25.00   |
| Cow number 1,              | 65.00   |
| Cow number 2,              | 65.00   |
| Cow number 3,              | 90.00   |
| Cow number 4,              | 75.00   |
| Cow number 5,              | 65.00   |
| Cow number 6,              | 80.00   |
| Cow number 7,              | 50.00   |
| Cow number 8, two yr. old, | 62.50   |

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|---------------------|-------------------|
| Cow number 9,       | \$ 65.00          |
| Cow number 10,      | 50.00             |
| Cow number 11,      | 75.00             |
| Cow number 12,      | 75.00             |
| Cow number 13,      | 25.00             |
| 2 one yr. old,      | 40.00             |
| Calf,               | 12.00             |
| Two shoates,        | 20.00             |
| Two horses,         | 450.00            |
| 30 tons No. 1 hay,  | 500.00            |
| Ton of meadow hay,  | 10.00             |
| Corn fodder,        | 5.00              |
| Ton of rye straw,   | 15.00             |
| 4 bushels of beans, | 12.80             |
|                     | <hr/> \$ 3,310.50 |

Increase in valuation in 1914, \$ 187.80

I have this day audited report of the Overseers of Poor and find them as above stated, three thousand three hundred ten and  $\frac{50}{100}$  dollars ( \$ 3310.50 ).

January 7, 1915.

F. D. Walker, Auditor.

## WARDEN'S REPORT TO OVERSEERS OF POOR.

*Income of Town Farm from Feb. 1914, to Jan. 1915.*

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Ree'd for milk,           | \$ 1,102.22 |
| calves,                   | 37.50       |
| eggs,                     | 36.82       |
| stove wood,               | 34.00       |
| cow,                      | 45.00       |
| condemned cow from state, | 17.00       |
| stock service,            | .50         |
| hay,                      | 28.00       |
| pork,                     | 33.48       |
| labor with team,          | 131.83      |
| potatoes,                 | 14.50       |
| sweet corn,               | 5.00        |



|                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Rec'd for apples, | \$ 24.00          |
| use of hearse,    | 9.00              |
| use of telephone, | 2.35              |
| poultry,          | 17.89             |
|                   | <hr/> \$ 1,539.09 |

*Paid out by warden from Feb. 1914, to Jan. 1915.*

|                                     |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid for barbering,                 | \$ 9.40 |
| wall paper,                         | 11.02   |
| fish,                               | 14.82   |
| bakery,                             | 1.10    |
| butchering,                         | 2.50    |
| cabbage,                            | .05     |
| peaches,                            | 1.25    |
| pears,                              | 1.50    |
| onions,                             | .65     |
| 2 pigs,                             | 10.00   |
| telephone,                          | 7.30    |
| tobacco,                            | .20     |
| lamp,                               | 2.50    |
| Jas. Mansfield, stock service,      | 5.00    |
| W. A. Sauer, fertilizer,            | 18.35   |
| F. F. Dewey, molasses,              | 1.75    |
| N. Farrar,                          | 1.85    |
| freight,                            | 1.22    |
| C. Hamilton, chopping wood,         | 10.00   |
| E. Atwood, papering,                | 11.00   |
| A. Pratt, sawing wood,              | 10.00   |
| Geo. Kenfield, labor,               | .65     |
| A. Cutting, repairs,                | 4.00    |
| R. Weston, haying and filling silo, | 27.55   |
| H. Pierce, haying and filling silo, | 10.00   |
| W. A. Sauer, filling silo,          | 16.00   |
| Chas. Trainer, labor,               | 25.00   |
| H. Spencer, filling silo,           | 3.45    |
| Chas. Trainer, filling silo,        | 3.00    |

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| Paid J. Merrill, sawing wood, | \$ 2.00           |
| treasurer,                    | 1,325.98          |
|                               | <hr/> \$ 1,539.09 |

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|--------------------------|----|
| Number of hearse calls,  | 20 |
| “ inmates,               | 3  |
| “ tramps lodged and fed, | 6  |

L. A. SHUMWAY, *Warden.*

I have this day audited account of L. A. Shumway, town warden, and find it as above stated. Balance, cash paid to town treasurer \$ 1,325.98.

Jan. 8, 1915.

F. D. Walker, Auditor.

PAUPER IN ACCOUNT.

|                                 |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| E. A. Fuller & Co., provisions, | \$ 175.54 |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., grain,      | 317.88    |
| R. E. Fairchild, provisions,    | 62.44     |
| R. E. Fairchild, grain,         | 277.64    |
| D. D. Hazen, provisions,        | 190.19    |
| J. W. Jackson, “                | 47.22     |
| A. Bridgman, “                  | 10.77     |
| L. A. Shumway, warden,          | 412.50    |
| New Eng. Tel. Co., telephone,   | 7.25      |
| W. D. Dunbar, ice,              | 8.64      |
| E. F. Flaherty, blacksmithing,  | 15.10     |
| H. M. Jepson, pigs,             | 10.00     |
| E. A. Fuller, lime and sulphur, | 8.00      |
| E. A. Fuller, fertilizer,       | 20.00     |
| E. C. Witt, “                   | 11.10     |
| R. Allen, lime,                 | 11.00     |
| E. F. Flaherty, horse shoeing,  | 4.80      |
| A. M. Baggs, cow,               | 75.00     |
| H. A. Hopkins, supplies,        | 6.30      |
| “ “                             | 5.55      |
| E. F. Flaherty, repairs,        | 6.25      |

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|--------------------------------|---------|-------------|
| F. M. Fellows, repairs,        | \$ 6.00 |             |
| Total expense,                 |         | \$ 1,689.17 |
| Cash paid treasurer by warden, |         | 1,325.98    |
| Actual expense,                |         | \$ 363.19   |

## PAUPERS OUTSIDE ALMSHOUSE.

|                                                 |         |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------|
| A. Bridgman, supplies,                          | \$ 2.00 |
| N. W. Archambault, sawing wood,                 | 3.00    |
| City of Springfield, aid at hospital,           | 103.44  |
| Westfield Sanatarium,                           | 33.14   |
| Dr. Eliot, medical aid,                         | 9.50    |
| Dr. W. B. T. Smith, aid to state charge,        | 15.00   |
| John Willard, aid to town charge,               | 7.50    |
| Dr. J. A. Collard, medical aid,                 | 25.00   |
| Aid to town charge,                             | 48.00   |
| Dr. Eliot, medical aid,                         | 25.00   |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., provisions,                 | 46.87   |
| “ “                                             | 17.63   |
| City of Boston, aid to town charge,             | 62.14   |
| “ “ “ “ “                                       | 27.14   |
| D. D. Hazen, supplies for town charge,          | 3.15    |
| Dr. B. T. Smith, aid in scarlet fever cases,    | 35.00   |
| James Sullivan, wood,                           | 3.00    |
| Dr. Eliot, medical aid,                         | 15.75   |
| City of Springfield, aid at hospital,           | 24.70   |
| City of Worcester, aid for town charge,         | 16.79   |
| Dickinson Cooley Hospital, aid for town charge, | 218.34  |
| D. D. Hazen, supplies for town charge,          | 3.15    |
| C. I. Shaw, aid for town charge,                | 1.50    |
| Geo. Harvey, “ “ “                              | 5.00    |
| R. G. Shaw, burial “ “                          | 25.00   |
| G. N. Cook, moving furniture,                   | .75     |
| John Willard, supplies for town charge,         | 1.00    |
| Dickinson Cooley Hospital, care town charge,    | 43.50   |
| City of Boston, aid to town charge,             | 17.43   |



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|------------------------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Dr. J. P. Schneider, aid to state charge,      | \$ 10.00 |             |
| Aid to town charge,                            | 25.00    |             |
| Mrs. Myron Grout, aid to town charge,          | 6.00     |             |
| James Paige, shoes for town charge,            | 3.40     |             |
| Thomas Landers, supplies for state charge,     | 16.64    |             |
| Dickinson Cooley Hospital, aid to town charge, | 73.50    |             |
| Thomas Landers, aid to state charge,           | 3.39     |             |
| Mrs. Elsie Gollenbusch, board of town charges, | 12.00    |             |
| City of Springfield, aid to town charge,       | 22.00    |             |
| Town charge,                                   | 8.00     |             |
| “ “                                            | 8.00     |             |
| Mrs. Elsie Gollenbusch, board of town charges, | 32.00    |             |
| Dr. J. L. Collard, medical aid,                | 12.75    |             |
| Town of Enfield, aid to town charges,          | 20.35    |             |
| Mrs. Elsie Gollenbusch, board of town charges, | 16.00    |             |
| “ “ “ “                                        | 18.00    |             |
| John Loftus, burial state charge,              | 21.00    |             |
| Wing Memorial Hospital, care state charge,     | 41.15    |             |
| Aid paid for town of Leominster,               | 94.24    |             |
|                                                | <hr/>    | \$ 1,282.84 |
| Total expenses of paupers,                     |          | \$ 1,646.03 |
| Due from town of Leominster,                   | \$ 43.41 |             |
| Due from state for burial of state pauper,     | 15.00    |             |
| “ “ “ “ support of paupers,                    | 55.15    |             |
| “ “ “ “ medical aid,                           | 10.00    |             |
| Total resources,                               | <hr/>    | \$ 123.56   |
| Total expense of paupers in and out,           |          | \$ 1,522.47 |
| Appropriation,                                 |          | 1,000.00    |
| In excess of appropriation,                    |          | 522.47      |
| FRED M. FULLER,                                | }        | Overseers   |
| E. F. SHUMWAY,                                 |          | of          |
| J. J. GARVEY,                                  |          | Poor.       |

I have this day audited the account of overseers of poor and find account as above stated.

Jan. 12, 1915. F. D. Walker, Auditor.

## Treasurer's Report.

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| 1914.  |                                               | <i>Dr.</i> |             |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Feb. 2 | Balance due on settlement,                    |            | \$ 4,128.12 |
| 18     | Cash of George S. Warner,                     |            | 469.98      |
| 28     | Town Farm,                                    |            | 142.62      |
| 28     | Town of Leominster,                           |            | 52.00       |
| Mar. 2 | George S. Warner,                             |            | 327.02      |
| 6      | George King, pool table,                      |            | 2.00        |
| 10     | B. & M. R. R. fighting fire 1912,             |            | 3.00        |
| 10     | George S. Warner,                             |            | 250.86      |
| 27     | E. A. R. Fairchild, auct. license,            |            | 2.00        |
| Apr. 1 | Town Farm,                                    |            | 136.03      |
| 1      | Guy C. Allen, auct. license,                  |            | 2.00        |
| 2      | George S. Warner,                             |            | 226.28      |
| 16     | Emma M. Moulton, care Pratt cemetery<br>lot,  |            | 100.00      |
| 16     | John D. Willard, refund from Kamiski<br>case, |            | 7.50        |
| 18     | George S. Warner,                             |            | 127.38      |
| 23     | J. J. Garvey, pool table,                     |            | 2.00        |
| 24     | P. T. Slauter, care of cemetery lot,          |            | 50.00       |
| 30     | Patrick J. Keyes, liquor license,             |            | 1,000.00    |
| 30     | Charles Clark, pool table,                    |            | 2.00        |
| 30     | George E. Alderman & Co., liquor license,     |            | 550.00      |

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|-------|----|---------------------------------------------|-----------|
| May   | 1  | Cash of Town Farm,                          | \$ 139.52 |
|       | 2  | N. W. Farrar, liquor license,               | 1.00      |
|       | 4  | Herbert Paine, butcher license,             | 1.00      |
|       | 6  | A. H. & Meyer Suher, butcher license,       | 1.00      |
|       | 6  | H. M. Jepson, butcher license,              | 1.00      |
|       | 12 | George S. Warner,                           | 300.36    |
|       | 19 | Amherst Nat'l Bank, note 6 mos.,            | 4,000.00  |
|       | 23 | George S. Warner,                           | 220.94    |
|       | 25 | John Stadler, butcher license,              | 1.00      |
|       | 27 | Henry Farley, " "                           | 1.00      |
| June  | 1  | Town Farm,                                  | 124.75    |
|       | 13 | George S. Warner,                           | 105.00    |
|       | 30 | Fines from Dist. Court,                     | 24.00     |
| July  | 1  | Town Farm,                                  | 146.52    |
|       | 8  | Town of Granby for bridge plank,            | 20.40     |
|       | 10 | George S. Warner,                           | 76.87     |
|       | 27 | Holyoke Y. M. C. A., rent of town hall,     | 5.00      |
|       | 29 | Amherst Nat'l Bank, note 6 mos.,            | 3,000.00  |
| Aug.  | 1  | Town Farm,                                  | 113.43    |
|       | 3  | George S. Warner,                           | 51.35     |
|       | 13 | State Treasurer, tuition of state children, | 404.00    |
|       | 13 | " " compensation of inspection of animals,  | 75.00     |
|       | 14 | George S. Warner,                           | 100.12    |
|       | 21 | Town of Enfield, tuition of children,       | 210.00    |
|       | 28 | George S. Warner,                           | 100.00    |
| Sept. | 1  | Town Farm,                                  | 77.38     |
|       | 7  | George S. Warner,                           | 239.64    |
|       | 8  | " 1914 tax,                                 | 446.60    |
|       | 15 | " " "                                       | 914.10    |
|       | 22 | " 1913 tax,                                 | 215.08    |
|       | 22 | " 1914 tax,                                 | 408.30    |
|       | 28 | " " "                                       | 1,185.10  |
|       | 30 | " " "                                       | 2,358.60  |
|       | 30 | " 1913 tax,                                 | 201.04    |



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|------|----|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Oct. | 1  | Cash of Dist. Court for Fines,                                | \$ 106.00 |
|      | 1  | Town Farm,                                                    | 88.13     |
|      | 2  | George S. Warner,                                             | 2,159.25  |
|      | 5  | "                                                             | 813.90    |
|      | 9  | "                                                             | 619.50    |
|      | 15 | Town of Leominster,                                           | 51.65     |
|      | 21 | George S. Warner,                                             | 664.30    |
|      | 28 | "                                                             | 616.70    |
| Nov. | 2  | Town Farm,                                                    | 86.19     |
|      | 2  | George S. Warner, 1913 tax,                                   | 224.10    |
|      | 7  | "                                                             | 506.51    |
|      | 9  | D. W. Howe, use of town hall,                                 | 15.00     |
|      | 12 | State Treasurer, income Mass. school<br>superintendency fund, | 1,250.00  |
|      | 15 | State Treasurer, corporation tax public<br>services,          | 53.63     |
|      | 15 | State Treasurer, corporation tax business,                    | 53.78     |
|      | 15 | " national bank tax,                                          | 347.90    |
|      | 15 | " state aid,                                                  | 1,890.00  |
|      | 15 | " burial of indigent soldier,                                 | 50.00     |
|      | 20 | George S. Warner,                                             | 599.99    |
|      | 28 | "                                                             | 485.00    |
| Dec. | 1  | Town Farm,                                                    | 116.51    |
|      | 5  | George S. Warner, 1913 tax,                                   | 321.36    |
|      | 12 | City of Boston, over payment, account of<br>H. S. Thomas,     | 40.71     |
|      | 12 | George S. Warner,                                             | 460.50    |
|      | 14 | Fred E. Burnett, sealer of weights and<br>measures,           | 29.01     |
|      | 16 | George S. Warner,                                             | 368.70    |
|      | 22 | State Treasurer, protection against forest<br>fire,           | 4.25      |
|      | 29 | D. W. Howe, use of town hall,                                 | 10.00     |
|      | 29 | W. D. Dunbar, milk license,                                   | 1.00      |
|      | 31 | George S. Warner,                                             | 347.00    |

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|---------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Dec. 31 | Cash of Amherst Savings Bank, library fund,       | \$ 171.80    |
| 31      | “ “ “ cemetery fund,                              | 241.56       |
| 31      | “ “ “ “ “                                         |              |
|         | Mrs. S. M. D. Bridgman,                           | 8.59         |
| 31      | Amherst Savings Bank, High School fund,           | 257.70       |
| 31      | Fines from Dist. Court,                           | 52.00        |
| 1915.   |                                                   |              |
| Jan. 1  | Town Farm,                                        | 154.90       |
| 1       | George Warner,                                    | 871.70       |
| 1       | “ 1913 tax,                                       | 593.12       |
| 1       | Town of Granby,                                   | 4.25         |
|         |                                                   | <hr/>        |
|         |                                                   | \$ 37,586.08 |
| 1914.   | <i>Cr.</i>                                        |              |
| Apr. 2  | Cash paid D. H. Tillson, services in Dist. Court, | \$ 8.98      |
| 2       | John D. Willard, “ “ “                            | 13.09        |
| 2       | A. J. Pruce, “ “ “                                | 1.26         |
| 2       | D. F. Shumway, “ “ “                              | 5.60         |
| 2       | J. A. Peeso, “ “ “                                | 6.26         |
| May 2   | “ “ “ “                                           | 27.09        |
| 2       | D. H. Tillson, “ “ “                              | 1.50         |
| 2       | John D. Willard, “ “ “                            | 18.90        |
| 11      | Bureau of statistics, cert. note,                 | 2.00         |
| 22      | State Treasurer, acct. liquor license,            | 387.75       |
| June 2  | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court,             | 22.91        |
| 4       | Bureau of statistics, cert. note,                 | 2.00         |
| July 1  | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court,             | 27.42        |
| 6       | Bureau of statistics, cert. note,                 | 2.00         |
| 21      | “ “ “ “                                           | 2.00         |
| Aug. 1  | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court,             | 22.70        |
| 1       | M. S. Barton, “ “ “                               | 5.13         |
| 1       | D. H. Tillson, “ “ “                              | 13.35        |
| Sept. 5 | J. A. Peeso, “ “ “                                | 4.88         |
| 29      | County tax,                                       | 1,800.85     |
| Oct. 1  | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court,             | 5.63         |
| 13      | “ “ “                                             | 24.45        |

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|--------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Nov. 2 | Cash paid J. A. Peeso, services in district court, | \$ 14.74     |
| 5      | M. S. Barton, " "                                  | 8.89         |
| 9      | First National Bank, note,                         | 4,000.00     |
| 16     | State tax,                                         | 2,187.50     |
| 16     | Repairs of state highway,                          | 117.50       |
| Dec. 2 | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court,              | 20.25        |
| 3      | D. H. Tillson, " " "                               | 12.69        |
| 3      | Bureau of Statistics, cert. note,                  | 2.00         |
| 31     | Amherst Savings Bank, note due                     |              |
|        | Jan. 26,                                           | 1,500.00     |
| 31     | Amherst Savings Bank, interest due                 |              |
|        | Jan. 26,                                           | 30.00        |
| 1915.  |                                                    |              |
| Jan. 1 | Clapp Memorial Library,                            | 171.80       |
| 1      | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court,              | 42.52        |
| 2      | Amherst Savings Bank, care of Pratt                |              |
|        | and Slaught lots in cemetery,                      | 150.00       |
| 9      | 493 town orders delivered selectmen,               | 23,660.59    |
|        | Cash on hand,                                      | 3,262.05     |
|        |                                                    | <hr/>        |
|        |                                                    | \$ 37,586.08 |

A. BRIDGMAN, *Treasurer.*

I have this day audited account of A. Bridgman as town treasurer and find the amount as above stated, 493 orders paid \$ 23,660.59 with cash on hand and in bank, thirty two hundred sixty two and  $\frac{0.5}{100}$  dollars ( \$ 3,262.05 ).

Jan. 12, 1915.

F. D. Walker, Auditor.



## Report of Supt. of Highways.

### PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS.

Through the center of town beginning at junction of Ware and Palmer roads.

|                     |        |         |
|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Paid George Harvey, | labor, | \$ 5.25 |
| Emery Munsell,      | "      | 4.82    |
| Peter Gauthier,     | "      | 5.69    |
| George Brown,       | "      | .41     |
| Henry Lamson,       | "      | 5.25    |
| Emery Munsell,      | "      | 2.63    |
| Guernsey Clough,    | "      | 1.75    |
| Daniel Coleman,     | "      | 1.75    |
| Guernsey Clough,    | "      | 1.75    |
| Daniel Coleman,     | "      | 1.75    |
| Guernsey Clough,    | "      | 1.75    |
| Daniel Coleman,     | "      | 1.75    |
| George Moody,       | "      | 1.75    |
| Frank Clough,       | "      | 1.75    |
| Guernsey Clough,    | "      | 1.75    |
| George Moody,       | "      | 1.75    |
| Joseph Pinskey,     | "      | 1.75    |
| George Moody,       | "      | 1.75    |
| Joseph Pinskey,     | "      | 1.75    |
| Daniel Coleman,     | "      | 1.75    |
| Frank Clough,       | "      | .88     |

|                      |            |         |
|----------------------|------------|---------|
| Daniel Coleman,      | labor,     | \$ 1.75 |
| Frank Clough,        | "          | 1.75    |
| Guernsey Clough,     | "          | 1.75    |
| James A. Hill,       | "          | 6.35    |
| George Warner,       | team work, | 4.50    |
| Henry R. Gould,      | "          | 2.25    |
| William Orlando,     | "          | 7.31    |
| Henry Mc Kellop,     | "          | 24.75   |
| Miss Lillian Miller, | "          | 20.25   |
| Henry R. Gould,      | "          | 18.00   |
| Edgar C. Witt,       | "          | 18.00   |
| Clinton Hamilton,    | "          | 24.75   |
| Louis A. Shumway,    | "          | 24.75   |
| Avery Stacy,         | "          | 24.75   |
| Jason Hurlburt,      | "          | 24.75   |
| Melvin Bardwell,     | "          | 15.75   |
| W. S. Piper,         | "          | 15.75   |
| George S. Warner,    | "          | 13.50   |
| A. W. Stacy,         | gravel,    | 25.00   |
| E. F. Flaherty,      | team work, | 2.15    |
| Emery Munsell,       | labor,     | 1.75    |
| Peter Gauthier,      | "          | 1.75    |
| Everett Snow,        | "          | 1.75    |
| Fred Thayer,         | "          | 9.63    |
| C. I. Shaw,          | "          | 9.63    |
| Eugene Dick,         | "          | 9.63    |
| Peter Gauthier,      | "          | 9.63    |
| T. Maloney,          | "          | 7.88    |
| Patrick Shea,        | "          | 7.88    |
| P. Murphy,           | "          | 3.50    |
| Henry Ann,           | "          | 3.50    |
| A. C. Cutting,       | "          | 4.38    |
| George Claflin,      | "          | 4.38    |
| Everett Snow,        | "          | 1.75    |
| Emery Munsell,       | "          | 4.81    |
| L. A. Cook,          | "          | 7.88    |

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|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Geo. Harvey,         | labor,            | \$ 9.63         |
| John J. Garvey,      | "                 | 17.00           |
| Henry Witt,          | team work,        | 9.00            |
| E. C. Witt,          | "                 | 4.50            |
| Miss Lillian Miller, | "                 | 3.75            |
| Henry Mc Kellop,     | "                 | 6.75            |
| A. E. Howard,        | "                 | 9.00            |
| L. A. Shumway,       | "                 | 9.00            |
| Clinton Hamilton,    | "                 | 9.00            |
| J. A. Peeso,         | "                 | 21.50           |
| Geo. Harvey,         | labor,            | 3.50            |
| Joseph Lapolice,     | "                 | 1.75            |
| Wm. Murphy,          | "                 | 3.50            |
| Patrick Shea,        | "                 | 1.75            |
| Peter Gauthier,      | "                 | 3.50            |
| C. I. Shaw,          | "                 | 1.75            |
| Eugene Dick,         | "                 | 3.50            |
| Henry Ann,           | "                 | 3.50            |
| Everett Snow,        | "                 | 3.50            |
| Edgar L. Blackmer,   | "                 | 1.75            |
| D. P. Spencer,       | gravel and labor, | 8.80            |
|                      |                   | <hr/> \$ 552.90 |

## GENERAL REPAIRS IN SECTION NO. 1.

|                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Paid Henry H. Witt, team work, | \$ 4.50 |
| Edgar C. Witt,                 | " 4.50  |
| A. E. Howard,                  | " 4.50  |
| Clinton Hamilton,              | " 4.00  |
| Jason Hurlburt,                | " 3.50  |
| James A. Peeso,                | " 21.73 |
| George Harvey, labor,          | 4.92    |
| Wm. Murphy,                    | " 1.75  |
| Patrick Shea,                  | " 1.75  |
| Peter Gauthier,                | " 1.75  |
| Clarence I. Shaw,              | " 1.75  |
| Eugene Dick,                   | " 1.75  |
| John Maloney,                  | " 1.75  |



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|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Henry Ann, labor,                 | \$ 1.75 |
| George S. Warner, team work,      | 14.62   |
| Henry R. Gould, “                 | 4.50    |
| E. F. Flaherty, “                 | 3.00    |
| W. L. Clough, “                   | 4.50    |
| “ “                               | 4.50    |
| “ “                               | 4.50    |
| “ “                               | 27.00   |
| Hamilton Bros., “                 | 10.14   |
| George S. Warner, “               | 20.50   |
| Joseph Gardner, “                 | 4.41    |
| Dwight F. Shumway, “              | 6.32    |
| Hamilton Bros., gravel,           | 2.32    |
| Dwight F. Shumway, spikes,        | .18     |
| H. R. Gould, team work,           | 13.50   |
| Eugene F. Flaherty, team work,    | 3.00    |
| Hamilton Bros., “                 | 8.36    |
| Frank S. Wilson, labor,           | 7.00    |
| E. W. Howe, “                     | 10.50   |
| George Oliver, “                  | 1.75    |
| Joseph Lapolice, “                | 1.75    |
| N. Lamson, “                      | 5.25    |
| H. R. Gould, “                    | 1.20    |
| Charles B. Knowlton, labor,       | 1.50    |
| George S. Warner, team work,      | 13.78   |
| D. F. Shumway, “                  | 8.00    |
| E. C. Witt, “                     | 5.50    |
| W. L. Clough, “                   | 3.13    |
| J. W. Armatage, labor,            | 7.00    |
| Clarence Lamson, “                | 10.00   |
| James A. Peeso, team work,        | 15.60   |
| W. S. Piper, graveling sidewalks, | 7.63    |
| F. L. Nooney, labor,              | 3.50    |
| H. M. Lamson, “                   | 3.99    |
| D. F. Shumway, team work,         | 9.00    |
| H. H. Witt, “                     | 1.00    |

## GENERAL REPAIRS IN SECTION NO. 2.

|                                            |           |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid W. S. Piper,                          | \$ 225.00 |
| T. Spellman,                               | 6.25      |
| J. Merrill,                                | 5.00      |
| W. S. Piper,                               | 112.38    |
| George Miller, labor,                      | 4.01      |
| Almon Lovett, "                            | 2.25      |
| Clement Mayo, "                            | 1.75      |
| John Kelsey, "                             | 42.45     |
| John Spila, "                              | 10.94     |
| Sylvester Smith, man and team,             | 96.52     |
| A. L. Kimball, " "                         | 99.61     |
| M. Banks, labor,                           | 8.56      |
| George Dwight, "                           | 34.39     |
| A. Hussey, "                               | 5.25      |
| C. L. Kimball, man and team,               | 45.75     |
| J. D. Lyons, labor,                        | 3.50      |
| H. S. Pratt, "                             | 5.63      |
| A. L. Pratt, "                             | 4.00      |
| A. L. Kimball, bridge plank and stringers, | 47.50     |
| " dynamite,                                | 2.00      |
| Ralph Shaw, team work,                     | 27.00     |
| A. Brown & Son, " "                        | 18.00     |
| W. J. Holcomb, labor,                      | 17.50     |
| Willie " "                                 | 17.50     |
| Raymond Gray, "                            | 9.00      |
| P. J. Landers, "                           | .90       |
| Fred Randolph, "                           | 3.50      |
| Charles Austin, "                          | 3.50      |
| E. M. Howe, "                              | 5.60      |
| Charles Trainer, "                         | 2.65      |
| Wm. Smith, "                               | 11.00     |
| Wm. Pranaitis, "                           | 30.30     |
| W. A. Sauer, man and team,                 | 120.15    |
| Harry Conkey, labor,                       | 4.38      |
| H. H. Witt and team,                       | 11.50     |

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|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid L. L. Dudley, labor,            | \$ 22.75 |
| F. S. Wilson, "                      | 3.41     |
| H. H. Witt and team,                 | 7.00     |
| Frank Peeso, labor,                  | 4.27     |
| W. D. Dunbar, "                      | 7.00     |
| F. W. Goodale and team,              | 21.00    |
| J. A. Hill, labor,                   | 7.46     |
| Joseph Gardner and team,             | 4.50     |
| Henry Jepson, labor and dynamite,    | 28.42    |
| Arthur Jenks and team,               | 25.75    |
| Nelson Lamson, labor,                | 4.38     |
| Austin Kimball, plank and stringers, | 27.00    |
| C. F. Austin, labor,                 | 2.25     |
| A. E. Howard and team,               | 3.50     |
| F. E. Austin, 113 loads gravel,      | 8.00     |
| Charles Austin, labor,               | 4.50     |
| George Dwight, "                     | 4.50     |
| Joseph Gardner and team,             | 58.17    |
| A. E. Howard "                       | 18.75    |
| James A. Hill, labor,                | 4.11     |
| John Maloney, "                      | 8.25     |
| Lillian Miller, man and team,        | 2.25     |
| Walter Morse and team,               | 27.00    |
| Vernon Snow, labor,                  | 8.25     |
| Herbert Story, "                     | 1.75     |
| Everett Snow, "                      | 8.75     |
| Henry Witt and team,                 | 16.00    |
| F. M. Fuller, labor,                 | 27.98    |

## GENERAL REPAIRS IN SECTION NO. 3.

|                                   |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid E. F. Shumway, team and men, | \$ 240.00 |
| Henry Baggs, labor,               | 7.00      |
| Wm. Kelley, "                     | 25.37     |
| D. F. Shumway and team,           | 41.75     |
| W. D. Brackett, labor,            | 10.50     |



|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| R. N. Baggs and team,         | \$ 78.88 |
| Thomas Austin, labor,         | 7.00     |
| John Sullivan,       “        | 9.63     |
| Patrick Kennedy and team,     | 55.25    |
| M. P. Bowler, men and teams,  | 196.16   |
| E. F. Lemon, labor,           | 23.65    |
| W. E. Eaton,       “          | 12.25    |
| Frank Lemon,       “          | 8.75     |
| J. F. Moriarty, men and team, | 40.00    |
| M. C. Bardwell and team,      | 31.25    |
| J. W. Hurlburt       “        | 22.55    |
| E. E. Gay, men       “        | 53.73    |
| B. F. Hubbard, labor,         | 41.13    |
| C. A. Marsh,       “          | 12.00    |
| John Ahern,       “           | 3.18     |
| George Oliver,       “        | 17.50    |
| Joseph Lapolice,       “      | 15.75    |
| Henry Ann,       “            | 7.00     |
| M. P. Bowler, men and teams,  | 96.35    |
| James Moriarty and team,      | 18.51    |
| Peter Hanifin       “         | 50.00    |
| James Moriarty       “        | 8.00     |

#### MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT.

|                                     |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Paid New England Metal Culvert Co., | \$ 5.00 |
| A. M. Baggs, bridge plank,          | 55.60   |
| E. F. Flaherty, repairs on scraper, | 9.75    |
| Shumway & Hoyt, plank,              | 60.00   |
| E. A. Fuller, tools,                | 3.97    |
| D. D. Hazen, tools and spikes,      | 18.48   |

#### GENERAL AND PERMANENT REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

|                                   |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1914, | \$ 334.62 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|

|                                             |             |             |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Appropriated for year ending Jan. 1, 1915,  | \$ 2,500.00 |             |
| "            permanent improvements for     |             |             |
| year ending Jan. 1, 1915,                   | 500.00      |             |
|                                             | <hr/>       | \$ 3,334.62 |
| We have expended for general repairs,       | \$ 3,006.39 |             |
| "      "      "      " permanent improve-   |             |             |
| ments,                                      | 552.90      |             |
|                                             | <hr/>       | \$ 3,559.29 |
| We have used in excess of unexpended bal-   |             |             |
| ance of 1914 and appropriations for gen-    |             |             |
| eral repairs,                               | \$ 171.77   |             |
| We have used in excess of appropriation for |             |             |
| permanent improvements,                     | 52.90       |             |
|                                             | <hr/>       | \$ 224.67   |

F. M. FULLER, *Supt. of Highways.*

Audited, Jan. 15, 1915.

F. D. Walker, Auditor.

## Tree Warden's Report.

|                                     |           |           |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation,                      | \$ 200.00 |           |
| Unexpended balance, Feb. 1, 1914,   | 12.13     |           |
|                                     | <hr/>     | \$ 231.13 |
| A. J. Rowe, labor and oil,          | \$ 19.75  |           |
| Henry Witt, team,                   | 10.00     |           |
| Raymond Howard, labor,              | 3.50      |           |
| Vernon Snow,           “            | 5.25      |           |
| Walter Dunbar, team,                | 7.50      |           |
| Roy Baggs, labor,                   | 7.50      |           |
| J. A. Peeso, team,                  | 20.00     |           |
| Hose, nozzle and supplies,          | 18.00     |           |
| D. D. Hazen, arsenate of lead etc., | 28.08     |           |
| Bacon & Farnum, repairs,            | 13.62     |           |
|                                     | <hr/>     | \$ 133.20 |
| Unexpended balance,                 |           | \$ 78.93  |

J. A. PEESO, *Tree Warden.*

Audited Jan. 15, 1915.      F. D. Walker, Auditor.

### LAW RELATING TO DISPOSAL OF SLASH OR BRUSH, FOLLOWING WOOD OR LUMBER OPERATIONS.

#### FORTY FOOT FIRE LINE REQUIRED.

1914, 101, Sect. 1. Every owner, tenant or occupant of land, and every owner of stumpage, who cuts or permits the cutting of wood



or timber on woodland owned or occupied by him or on which he has acquired stumpage by purchase or otherwise, and which borders upon the woodland of another or upon a highway or railroad location, shall clear the land of the slash and brush wood then and there resulting from such cutting for such distance, not exceeding forty feet, from the woodland of such other person, highway or railroad location as the local forest warden shall determine, and within such time and in such manner as he shall determine.

#### DISPOSAL OF BRUSH ALONG HIGHWAY.

1914, 101, Sect. 2. Any person who cuts or causes to be cut trees or brushes or undergrowth within the limits of any highway or public road shall dispose of the slash and brush wood then and there resulting from such cutting within such time and in such manner as the forest warden of the city or town wherein such cutting is done shall determine.

#### PENALTY.

1914, 101, Sect. 3. Whoever neglects to comply with the directions of the forest warden with regard to the disposal of slash and brush, as provided in sections one and two of this act may be punished by a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars.

1914, 101, Sect. 4. This act shall take effect on the first day of January in the year nineteen hundred and fifteen.

## Report of Fire Department.

There have been ten chimney fires and eight

buildings at a cost of

\$ 31.77

Damage to Buildings,

\$ 8,750.00

J. A. PEESO, *Chief of Fire Department.*

Audited Jan. 15, 1915.

F. D. Walker, Auditor.

## Forest Warden's Report.

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|                                                                        |           |           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation,                                                         | \$ 100.00 |           |
| Balance in treasury,                                                   | 100.00    |           |
| Due from the state,                                                    | 71.50     |           |
|                                                                        | <hr/>     | \$ 271.50 |
| Paid for extinguishers and water tank,                                 |           | 143.50    |
|                                                                        |           | <hr/>     |
| Balance in the treasury,                                               |           | \$ 128.00 |
| There have been thirteen forest fires at a cost of                     | \$ 42.85  |           |
| Paid for oil, supplies, posting notices and the<br>writing of permits, | 20.00     |           |
| Total,                                                                 | <hr/>     | \$ 62.85  |
| There is due from the R. R.                                            |           | 23.50     |
|                                                                        |           | <hr/>     |
| Actual expense to the town,                                            |           | \$ 39.35  |

JAMES A. PEESO, *Forest Warden.*

Audited Jan. 15, 1915.

F. D. Walker, Auditor.

## Report of the Local Moth Supt.

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|                                          |           |           |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance on hand Feb. 1, 1914, | \$ 172.60 |           |
| Appropriation, 1914,                     | 100.00    |           |
|                                          | <hr/>     | \$ 272.60 |
| Labor of supt., men and team, 1914,      |           | 224.65    |
|                                          |           | <hr/>     |
| Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1915,            |           | \$ 47.95  |

E. C. HOWARD, *Local Moth Supt.*

I have this day audited report of E. C. Howard and find balance on hand as stated, \$ 47.95.

Jan. 14, 1915.

F. D. Walker, Auditor.



## Report of Committee on Appropriations.

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The committee on appropriations recommend the following amounts to be raised for the different departments.

|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Schools,                        | \$ 6,500.00 |
| Highways,                       | 3,000.00    |
| Street lights,                  | 1,000.00    |
| Town account,                   | 2,500.00    |
| Suppression of brown tail moth, | 150.00      |
| Spraying of trees,              | 150.00      |
| Discount on town notes,         | 400.00      |
| Cemetery account,               | 100.00      |
| Repairs on school houses,       | 300.00      |

|                |   |                                             |
|----------------|---|---------------------------------------------|
| M. S. BARTON,  | } | <i>Committee<br/>on<br/>Appropriations.</i> |
| G. C. ALLEN,   |   |                                             |
| MYRON G. WARD, |   |                                             |

## Auditor's Report.

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### BILLS RECEIVABLE.

|                            |                    |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| In collector's hands,      | \$ 6,995.50        |
| In treasurer's hands,      | 3,262.05           |
| Due from state, state aid, | 1,779.00           |
| forestry department,       | 71.50              |
| railroad,                  | 23.50              |
|                            | <hr/> \$ 12,131.55 |

### BILLS PAYABLE.

|                         |                    |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Note due Jan. 21, 1915, | \$ 3,000.00        |
| Note due June 5, 1915,  | 4,000.00           |
| Note due July 8, 1915,  | 3,000.00           |
|                         | <hr/> \$ 10,000.00 |
|                         | <hr/> \$ 2,131.55  |

F. D. WALKER, Auditor

January 18, 1915.

## Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures.

|                                                           | Adjusted | Scaled   | Condemned |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| No. platform scales sealed over 5,000 lbs.,               |          | 7        |           |
| “ “ “ “ under “                                           | 2        | 21       |           |
| “ computing “ “                                           |          | 3        |           |
| “ all other scales, clock balances, counter scales, etc., | 2        | 60       |           |
| “ weights sealed,                                         | 4        | 176      |           |
| “ scales tagged non-sealed,                               |          | 3        |           |
| “ dry measures sealed,                                    |          | 2        |           |
| “ liquid measures sealed other than milk jars,            |          | 76       | 2         |
| “ linear measures sealed,                                 |          | 14       |           |
| “ inspections of coal certificates,                       |          |          | 6         |
| “ “ milk and oyster jars,                                 |          |          | 12        |
| “ times re-weighing coal,                                 |          |          | 4         |
| “ inspections of junk dealers' scales etc.,               |          |          | 18        |
| “ “ peddlers' and pick-up teams,                          |          |          | 25        |
| “ “ fruit peddlers' teams, (peaches and berries),         |          |          | 15        |
| Received for sealing fees,                                | \$ 28.81 |          |           |
| “ “ adjusting fees,                                       | .20      |          |           |
| Total fees paid town treasurer,                           | ————     | \$ 29.01 |           |

We have had much new work this year, inspection of goods and merchandise in packages direct from the factory. I have made several inspections of the weights on these goods and merchandise of all kinds.

In closing I will say that the merchants of the town have done exceedingly well in keeping their scales and measures up to the standard, thus giving the public the benefit of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED C. BURNETT, *Sealer.*



## Report on Funds.

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### MRS. SUSAN M. D. BRIDGMAN FUND.

|                                   |           |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Balance as reported Feb. 1, 1914, | \$ 284.05 |           |
| Received Apr. 1, 1914,            | 70.00     |           |
| “ July 1, “                       | 140.00    |           |
| “ Oct. 1, “                       | 70.00     |           |
| “ Jan. 1, 1915,                   | 70.00     |           |
|                                   | <hr/>     | \$ 634.05 |
| Orders drawn, 55                  |           | 391.00    |
|                                   |           | <hr/>     |
| Balance 1915,                     |           | \$ 243.05 |

### WHITING STREET FUND.

|                       |           |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Balance Feb. 1, 1914, | \$ 137.51 |           |
| Received Oct. 1, “    | 270.00    |           |
|                       | <hr/>     | \$ 407.51 |
| Orders drawn, 49      |           | 267.00    |
|                       |           | <hr/>     |
| Balance 1915,         |           | \$ 140.51 |

|                                                                                          |   |           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|-----------|
| F. M. FULLER,<br>E. F. SHUMWAY,<br>J. J. GARVEY,<br>Mrs. M. G. WARD,<br>Mrs. G. L. WITT, | } | Almoners. |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|-----------|

Audited, Jan. 18, 1915.

F. D. Walker, Auditor.

# Report of Town Clerk.

*For the year ending Dec. 31, 1914.*

## STATISTICS OF

### BIRTHS.

|           |   |       |   |             |   |          |   |
|-----------|---|-------|---|-------------|---|----------|---|
| January   | 5 | April | 1 | July        | 1 | October  | 1 |
| February  | 3 | May   | 1 | August      | 5 | November | 1 |
| March     | 2 | June  | 3 | September   | 3 | December | 2 |
| Males 12, |   |       |   | Females 16. |   |          |   |

### RETURN OF BIRTHS.

|                  |   |                           |   |
|------------------|---|---------------------------|---|
| Dr. H. W. Eliot, | 2 | Dr. J. P. Schmidz         | 1 |
| " C. H. Giroux,  | 8 | " W. B. T. Smith,         | 3 |
| " J. L. Collard, | 7 | " H. A. Dumphy,           | 1 |
| " W. B. Segur,   | 2 | " H. C. Cheney,           | 1 |
| " S. O. Miller,  | 1 | E. A. Newell, City Clerk, | 2 |

### MARRIAGES.

|                        |                      |    |
|------------------------|----------------------|----|
| Number of intentions,  |                      | 21 |
| " marriages,           |                      | 19 |
| First marriage,        | Males, 16 ; Females, | 16 |
| Second "               | " 3 ; "              | 3  |
| Youngest male married, | 19 ; "               | 17 |
| Oldest "               | " 55 ; "             | 56 |

## DEATHS.

|                            |   |       |   |           |   |          |   |
|----------------------------|---|-------|---|-----------|---|----------|---|
| January                    | 4 | April | 4 | July      | 3 | October  | 1 |
| February                   | 3 | May   | 4 | August    | 2 | November | 2 |
| March                      | 2 | June  | 2 | September | 5 | December | 2 |
| Males,                     |   | 23    |   | Females,  |   | 11       |   |
| Native born,               |   | 30    |   | Foreign,  |   | 4        |   |
| Number of town meetings,   |   |       |   |           |   | 2        |   |
| Mortgages and attachments, |   |       |   |           |   | 11       |   |

## DOG LICENSE.

|          |                 |                 |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Males,   | 223 at \$ 2.00, | \$ 446.00       |
| Females, | 18 at 5.00,     | 90.00           |
|          |                 | ————— \$ 536.00 |

Paid the above (less fees) to county treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk.*



## Cemetery Account.

|                                                               |                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Amount on hand in Amherst Savings Bank,                       |                   |
| Jan. 1, 1914,                                                 | \$ 4,509.06       |
| Jan. 26, 1914, deposited in bank,                             | 50.00             |
| Interest July 1, 1914 on fund,                                | 87.68             |
| "    Jan. 1, 1915 on fund,                                    | 100.62            |
|                                                               | <hr/> \$ 4,747.36 |
| Jan. 26, withdrawn from bank,                                 | \$ 97.55          |
| Feb. 3,       "       "       "                               | 76.68             |
|                                                               | <hr/> \$ 174.23   |
| Bal. in bank Jan. 1, 1915,                                    | \$ 4,573.13       |
| Interest on fund for year 1914, .                             | \$ 188.30         |
| Paid G. H. Howe for cleaning stones and<br>monuments,         | \$ 88.50          |
| Paid F. L. Nooney, care lots in Mt. Hope,<br>covered by fund, | 90.00             |
|                                                               | <hr/> \$ 178.50   |

### F. L. NOONEY'S ACCOUNT.

For fence between J. R. Gould's property and cemetery.

|                      |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Homer Pratt, lumber, | \$ 5.50        |
| Chas. Davis,       " | 5.00           |
| D. D. Hazen, nails,  | .44            |
| Geo. Harvey, labor,  | 1.75           |
|                      | <hr/> \$ 12.69 |

|                                                |          |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| For mowing walks and avenues, and care of lots |          |
| in Mt. Hope Cemetery,                          | \$ 52.50 |
| A. L. Slater, labor,                           | 7.25     |
| Geo. Claflin,    "                             | 5.25     |
| R. E. Fairchild, fertilizer,                   | 5.80     |
| Opening grave for Benj. Billings,              | 3.50     |
| "    "    "    George child,                   | 2.00     |
| Mowing Mill Valley and Blue Meadow cemeteries, | 11.00    |
|                                                | <hr/>    |
|                                                | \$ 99.99 |

#### M. S. BARTON'S AND ROY G. SHAW'S ACCOUNT.

|                                             |          |
|---------------------------------------------|----------|
| To mowing Union, Lake Vale, Holyoke, Tyler- |          |
| ville, and Liberty cemeteries,              | \$ 30.00 |

|                                                   |           |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Total amount paid out on cemeteries, not included |           |
| in Mt. Hope fund.                                 | \$ 129.99 |

This bill also includes the setting up of grave stones, and repairs on fences in the above cemeteries.

We would recommend an appropriation of \$ 100.00

|               |   |                                             |
|---------------|---|---------------------------------------------|
| M. S. BARTON, | } | <i>Burial<br/>Ground<br/>Commissioners.</i> |
| R. G. SHAW,   |   |                                             |
| F. L. NOONEY, |   |                                             |

I have this day audited account of burial ground commissioners and find as above stated.

Jan. 14, 1915.

F. D. Walker, Auditor.

# Annual Report

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE



### Organization, March 1914 — 1915

|                |                           |
|----------------|---------------------------|
| M. C. BAGGS,   | Term expires, March, 1915 |
| ROSWELL ALLEN, | “ “ “ 1916                |
| ANDREW SAYERS, | “ “ “ 1917                |

### Superintendent of Schools

|                 |                            |
|-----------------|----------------------------|
| ALVAN R. LEWIS, | Term expires Sept. 1, 1915 |
|-----------------|----------------------------|

### Attendance Officer

D. F. SHUMWAY

### School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D.



## School Calendar.

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### HIGH SCHOOL.

The high school will open August 30, 1915 and will close December 24, 1915 for a recess of one week. It will re-open Jan. 3, 1916 and continue until June 23, 1916 with a week's intermission at the expiration of every eight weeks.

### GRAMMAR AND GRADED SCHOOLS.

Spring term will begin March 29, 1915.

“ “ “ close June 18, “

Fall term will begin September 13, “

“ “ close December 24, “

Winter term will begin January 3, 1916.

“ “ “ close March 10, “

## Teachers and Wages.

|                 |                     |                    |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| High School,    | Thomas Allen,       | \$ 1,200.00        |
| "               | Gertrude Callender, | 550.00             |
| "               | Grace Anderson,     | 550.00             |
| Center Gram.,   | Lena Ripley,        | \$ 12.50 per week. |
| " Int.,         | Mae Fenton,         | 10.00 "            |
| " Prim.,        | Marie West,         | 11.00 "            |
| Cold Spring,    | Bridget Fitzgerald, | 8.50 "             |
| Franklin Gram., | Nellie Shea,        | 9.00 "             |
| " Inter.,       | Sadie Demarest,     | 8.00 "             |
| " Prim.,        | Nellie Sullivan,    | 10.00 "            |
| Liberty,        | Lily Barber,        | 10.00 "            |
| Washington,     | Roland Shaw,        | 9.00 "             |
| Chestnut Hill,  | Katherine Moriarty, | 8.50 "             |
| Lake Vale,      | Libbie Gutberlett,  | 8.50 "             |
| Federal,        | Ella Moriarty,      | 9.00 "             |
| Union,          | Edith Towne,        | 9.25 "             |
| Blue Meadow,    | Mable Bowler,       | 7.00 "             |
| Rock Rimmon,    | Florence Baggs,     | 6.00 "             |

## SCHOOL RESOURCES.

|                                        |                    |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Balance Feb. 1, 1914,                  | \$ 538.43          |
| Appropriation, Mar. 1914,              | 6,500.00           |
| From the Bridgman fund,                | 257.70             |
| Due from State school fund, estimated, | 1,200.00           |
| Superintendency fund,                  | 900.00             |
| State wards' tuition,                  | 404.00             |
| Enfield pupils' tuition,               | 210.00             |
| Longley fund for music,                | 241.08             |
|                                        | <hr/> \$ 10,251.21 |

## SCHOOL EXPENDITURES.

|                                   |                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Teachers' wages from treasury,    | \$ 5,957.30        |
| "    "    Bridgman fund, high     |                    |
| school,                           | 252.70             |
| "    "    Longley fund for music, | 84.50              |
| School supervision,               | 1,112.00           |
| Books and supplies,               | 508.75             |
| Fuel,                             | 621.57             |
| Janitors and supplies,            | 305.10             |
| Transportation,                   | 701.73             |
| Miscellaneous,                    | 198.78             |
| Unexpended balance,               | 508.78             |
|                                   | <hr/> \$ 10,251.21 |

## SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

## TEACHERS' WAGES.

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Thomas Allen,       | \$ 1,030.00 |
| Ruth Abbott,        | 275.00      |
| Ruth Perkins,       | 250.00      |
| Gertrude Callender, | 220.00      |
| Grace Anderson,     | 220.00      |
| Lena Ripley,        | 387.50      |
| Mae Fenton,         | 320.00      |
| S. Belle Snow,      | 60.00       |
| Marie West,         | 264.00      |
| Nellie Shea,        | 279.00      |



|                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Nellie Sullivan,    | \$ 310.00         |
| Sadie Demarest,     | 249.00            |
| Lily Barber,        | 310.00            |
| Roland Shaw,        | 279.00            |
| Katherine Moriarty, | 272.00            |
| Bridget Fitzgerald, | 263.50            |
| Ella Moriarty,      | 288.00            |
| Sylvia Morton,      | 162.00            |
| Libbie Gutberlett,  | 119.00            |
| Edith Towne,        | 282.50            |
| Mabel Bowler,       | 192.00            |
| Florence Baggs,     | 169.00            |
| Jessica Ballou,     | 8.50              |
|                     | <hr/> \$ 6,210.00 |

## MUSIC.

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Jessica Ballou, | \$ 42.50       |
| Florence Babb,  | 42.00          |
|                 | <hr/> \$ 84.50 |

## SUPERVISION.

|                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Alvan R. Lewis,   | \$ 1,062.00       |
| James L. Collard, | 25.00             |
| D. F. Shumway,    | 25.00             |
|                   | <hr/> \$ 1,112.00 |

## TRANSPORTATION.

|                   |                 |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| Franklin Fleming, | \$ 32.00        |
| W. L. Clough,     | 263.00          |
| T. Ward Hartley,  | 107.50          |
| Fannie Thayer,    | 10.50           |
| Louise Sherman,   | 2.00            |
| A. L. Billings,   | 105.00          |
| G. A. Hussey,     | 111.73          |
| E. H. Howe,       | 70.00           |
|                   | <hr/> \$ 701.73 |

## BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| E. E. Babb & Co., | \$ 240.69 |
| D. D. Hazen,      | 101.63    |

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| American Book Co.,    | \$ 76.25        |
| Ginn & Company,       | 40.45           |
| Silver & Burdett,     | 15.52           |
| Milton Bradley Co.,   | 13.47           |
| Nellie Shea,          | 7.88            |
| N. W. Farrar,         | 3.20            |
| Jessica Ballou,       | 2.56            |
| Euner & Armed,        | 6.64            |
| C. C. Burchard & Co., | .46             |
|                       | <hr/> \$ 508.75 |

## JANITORS AND SUPPLIES.

|                               |                 |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| H. L. Hadlock,                | \$ 171.80       |
| Lily Barber,                  | 5.00            |
| Roland Shaw,                  | 3.50            |
| Florence Baggs,               | 2.50            |
| Bridget Fitzgerald,           | 3.50            |
| Edith Towne,                  | 3.50            |
| Sylvia Morton,                | 3.75            |
| Ella Moriarty,                | 3.50            |
| Katherine Moriarty,           | 3.50            |
| Mabel Bowler,                 | 5.00            |
| John Keyes,                   | 79.55           |
| C. B. Dolge & Co.,            | 10.00           |
| Milwaukee Dustless Brush Co., | 6.00            |
| Nellie Shea,                  | 4.00            |
|                               | <hr/> \$ 305.10 |

## FUEL.

|                     |           |
|---------------------|-----------|
| E. A. Fuller & Co., | \$ 224.71 |
| E. C. Witt,         | 35.00     |
| Peter Hanifin,      | 6.00      |
| E. F. Shumway,      | 52.70     |
| R. E. Fairchild,    | 96.41     |
| John M. Sullivan,   | 40.00     |
| W. D. E. Morse,     | 45.00     |
| A. L. Kimball,      | 15.00     |

|                   |          |           |
|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| W. A. Shaw,       | \$ 20.00 |           |
| Frank H. Lincoln, | 37.25    |           |
| T. B. Garvey,     | 18.00    |           |
| Peter Adzima,     | 31.50    |           |
|                   | <hr/>    | \$ 621.57 |

## MISCELLANEOUS.

|                                        |         |           |
|----------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| The Beal Press, diplomas,              | \$ 9.75 |           |
| J. W. Merrill, cleaning vaults,        | 4.00    |           |
| Lewis Blackmer, printing,              | 11.00   |           |
| Delia Powers, piano,                   | 70.00   |           |
| Cong. Church Society, rent,            | 5.00    |           |
| H. L. Hadlock, cleaning,               | 18.60   |           |
| H. E. Atwood,        "                 | 7.04    |           |
| Town of Granby, tuition,               | 15.29   |           |
| Alvan R. Lewis, fares, telephone etc., | 4.90    |           |
| W. A. Sauer, moving piano,             | 5.00    |           |
| Arthur Lovering, inspecting boiler,    | 2.00    |           |
| C. J. Phillips, tuning pianos,         | 12.00   |           |
| H. A. Hopkins, ribbon,                 | 2.20    |           |
| D. F. Shumway, taking census,          | 30.00   |           |
| Vincent Rys, cleaning vaults,          | 2.00    |           |
|                                        | <hr/>   | \$ 198.78 |

## REPAIRS.

|                           |           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation, Mar. 1914, | \$ 200.00 |           |
| Overdrawn,                | 487.19    |           |
|                           | <hr/>     | \$ 687.19 |
| Paid H. L. Hadlock,       | \$ 141.83 |           |
| F. A. Randolph,           | .50       |           |
| Roland Shaw,              | 1.75      |           |
| Mabel Branston,           | 11.91     |           |
| Davis & Eno,              | 10.25     |           |
| Milwaukee Dustless Co.,   | 3.00      |           |
| Roswell Allen,            | 5.88      |           |
| W. Connelley,             | .85       |           |
| F. A. Canterbury,         | 14.76     |           |
| T. D. Potter,             | 10.71     |           |



|                     |           |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Palmer Foundry Co., | \$ 18.60  |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., | 66.42     |
| W. D. Dunbar,       | 27.07     |
| D. F. Austin,       | 3.00      |
| Pratt Bros.,        | 17.00     |
| J. P. Flaherty,     | 58.00     |
| D. F. Shumway,      | 10.75     |
| W. D. E. Morse,     | 34.15     |
| O. D. Case Co.,     | 207.20    |
| D. D. Hazen,        | 43.56     |
|                     | <hr/>     |
|                     | \$ 687.19 |

# Report of Superintendent of Schools.

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*To the School Committee of Belchertown.*

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit for your consideration my seventh annual report, which is the eleventh annual report of the superintendent of schools.

## ATTENDANCE.

The per cent of attendance for the school year ending June 30, 1914, was 91. This is one per cent lower than the year before, owing to cases of contagious diseases in a number of families. By the careful regulations of the school physician and the board of health these cases were confined to three families in each of which was one death. By the efficient work of the attendance officer and teachers, the attendance ought to be better.

## TEACHERS.

At the close of the school year in June, Miss Ruth Abbott and Miss Ruth Perkins resigned; Miss Abbott to accept a position in the Athol high school and Miss Perkins to continue her studies at Bryn Mawr. Miss Gertrude Callender, a graduate of Boston University was elected teacher of modern languages and Miss Grace Anderson, a graduate of Mount Holyoke, was elected teacher of English. At the opening of the schools in September, Mrs. Libbie Gutberlett returned to her school in Lake Vale.

### HIGH SCHOOL.

With the new course of study in the high school arranged so that more time is given to each recitation, the work has greatly improved. Of the thirteen pupils who graduated in June, two entered college, one successfully passed the college examinations but postponed entering for one year, two entered normal school, and two entered a commercial school.

Some new furnishings and apparatus will be needed for the work in chemistry which the course requires next year. We still need equipment for a good business course which many of the pupils would elect. The elementary work in agriculture has been continued with success under the direction of Mr. Allen. In Belchertown a regular course in agriculture would be of great value.

### GRADED SCHOOLS.

A change of text books in arithmetic has been made in the grammar grades. Greater accuracy and rapidity in the essentials has been obtained.

New text books in arithmetic for the primary grades have been authorized and they will be introduced at the opening of schools in September. Spelling is now taught systematically, and improvement is the result. It is hoped that it will not be said of the graduates of our schools that they cannot spell.

Two boys in the districts have continued to compete for prizes for corn and vegetables and both have received substantial prizes from the state and from agricultural societies. These contests are open to all children and are interesting as well as instructive.

Since September, music has been taught by Miss Florence Babb who by training and experience is well qualified for the work. Excellent progress has been made. Pupils read more readily and with better tone and expression.

### REPAIRS.

Belchertown has a large number of old school buildings that constantly need repairing. The Washington building



needs painting, new windows and a new floor. The sum annually appropriated is too small to keep our school buildings in repair. Unless these repairs are constantly made the buildings will soon become unfit for use.

New desks and seats have been placed in the high school room and additional desks and seats in the Franklin school to accommodate the increased number of pupils. The number of pupils in this district is steadily increasing.

In closing I will call attention to the following: No pupil will be received into our schools who has not been vaccinated or who has not received a certificate exempting him from vaccination.

All children between fourteen and sixteen years of age who have not received a labor certificate and are regularly employed, must regularly attend school. No labor certificate can be given to a pupil between fourteen and sixteen years of age who has not completed the work of the fourth grade.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAN R. LEWIS.

## Report of High School Principal.

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*Superintendent A. R. Lewis,*

Dear Sir:-

In submitting this report, we are mindful that the school authorities are much interested in our welfare. The installation of new desks and seats, so much more comfortable and convenient than the old ones that had done service for years, also a good piano to replace the inferior one, is evidence of the interest manifested. However, next year come subjects, the teaching of which to best advantage requires a water supply, a table with set bowls and individual apparatus, that each pupil may do his work separately and be held individually responsible for results obtained. While we should welcome a town water supply, lacking that, a suitable pump and tank installed, will afford a gravity feed to each faucet. Work in science may then be done in conformity with work of other high schools that are so equipped.

While it is gratifying that many of our graduates are enabled to attend higher institutions of learning, yet they are few in comparison with the great number who enter, only to leave after a year or two of work. Apparently the high school does not afford them the training that they desire. In an effort to maintain a longer hold upon some who would otherwise leave, as well as to interest them in general scientific data, the first year's work offers elementary science. Last year this was

supplemented by a course in pruning trees. It may be of general interest that three pupils of this course earned more than sixty dollars during the year at this work. Several, aside from those pursuing the course, have expressed their desire to enter the class when it will take up this work within the next few months.

It is a cause of regret that a few apparently lightly esteem punctuality and constant attendance. Public life demands dependable men and women. They form life's habit now. Report cards show the parents the situation. If the report be other than they think it ought to be, it is hoped that they will take measures to correct it. One of our aims is to train and develop a higher and better citizenship.

It gives me pleasure to commend the work of my assistants. The care and interest shown by our genial janitor give general satisfaction. Thank you for your much appreciated support and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS ALLEN.



## Report of the Supervisor of Music.

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The work in public school music this year has been studied with regard to these three topics:

1. Sight Reading,
2. Written Work,
3. Songs.

The sight reading has been conducted by the use of the individual slips, usually twice a week, the record sheet being kept once a week. It is very gratifying to watch the progress, how the average of correct pupils has increased and the time limit lessened. This individual slip singing develops independence, concentration, quick thinking, keen perception, habits of accuracy if properly conducted, and self control. In addition to the slips, exercises have been studied from the books.

In written work, I have tried to grade the schools in music, as they are in other subjects, and graded theoretical examinations, involving all the fundamental principles and essential rudiments of musical notation have been given frequently. Music writing books published by American Book Company have been introduced. This book includes copying and writing scales and exercises and written dictation.

The songs have been selected from the New Educational Music Course and all available supplementary sources, according to the ability of the school and with reference to the time of the year. These songs have been taught by rote, note and

syllables, the latter proving a very valuable drill. The majority of the songs were memorized. The songs help to develop a musical voice, love of good music, musical interpretation, melodic thought and enunciation.

A Christmas program was given, a special feature being the singing of the old English Carols. These public exhibitions help to inspire confidence, and opportunities are given for solo, duet, trio and quartette, beside ensemble work.

A music manual was given each teacher in the fall with a definite outline of the work of each grade for the year. Special scale and skip drills have been given to aid those who are deficient in pitch.

In High School music this fall it was decided to have Theory and History of Music in addition to the regular song work and count music as one point credit.

The new song book introduced this fall was "Glee and Chorus Book", NeCollins, published by American Book Company. This book comes highly recommended and was used last summer at Cornell University in the Summer School. It has been very satisfactory thus far.

Theoretical examinations are given frequently and once in two weeks a composition about some famous musician is read. An effort is being made to organize a Boys' and Girls' Glee Club.

I wish to thank the teachers, the superintendent, and the committee for their hearty co-operation, and all who have been interested in helping to make public school music a success.

Respectfully submitted,  
FLORENCE M. BABB.

## REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER.

BELCHERTOWN. JAN. 1, 1915.

*To the School Committee:*

I have received during the year from the school committee, teachers and superintendent, 15 summonses to absentees from school. To all of these I have given prompt attention and have seen that they have attended school.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Attendance Officer.*

## REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

All the schools have been visited and I found the pupils in good physical condition. Every child has complied with the vaccination law.

Two cases of contagious diseases have been reported during the year, one of diptheria in the Center, and one of scarlet fever at Lake Vale.

JAMES L. COLLARD, *School Physician.*

Jan. 1, 1915.

## APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED.

Your committee have been obliged to expend more for repairs the past year than was anticipated. New desks have been installed in the High School. Franklin has an increased number of pupils, and twenty additional desks were required. Federal St. was in need of a new roof on the west side and Laurel on the east, both of which were unexpected.

We recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year:

|                                  |             |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| For support of schools,          | \$ 6,500.00 |             |
| For repairs of school buildings, | 500.00      |             |
|                                  | <hr/>       | \$ 7,000.00 |

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|----------------------|---|------------------------------|
| ROSWELL ALLEN, Ch.,  | } | <i>School<br/>Committee.</i> |
| ANDREW SAYERS, Sec., |   |                              |
| M. C. BAGGS,         |   |                              |



## SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE.

For school year ending June 30, 1914.

| SCHOOLS                  | Whole Number. | No. enrolled. | No. over 15. | No. between 5 and 15. | No. between 7 and 14. | Av. Membership. | Av. Attendance. |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| High. ....               | 44            | 44            | 33           | 11                    | 3                     | 39              | 37              |
| Center Grammar. ....     | 40            | 39            | 6            | 33                    | 33                    | 36              | 34              |
| Center Intermediate. . . | 35            | 32            | 1            | 31                    | 29                    | 31              | 28              |
| Center Primary. ....     | 39            | 39            | 0            | 39                    | 29                    | 34              | 31              |
| Cold Spring. ....        | 14            | 13            | 0            | 13                    | 8                     | 10              | 9               |
| Franklin Grammar. . .    | 31            | 30            | 0            | 30                    | 28                    | 25              | 22              |
| Franklin Intermediate. . | 30            |               |              |                       |                       | 27              | 26              |
| Franklin Primary . . .   | 57            | 54            | 1            | 53                    | 42                    | 37              | 34              |
| Liberty. ....            | 33            | 31            | 3            | 28                    | 24                    | 27              | 25              |
| Washington. ....         | 22            | 19            | 0            | 19                    | 19                    | 21              | 16              |
| Rock Rimmon. ....        | 8             | 2             | 0            | 2                     | 0                     | 8               | 7               |
| Chestnut Hill. ....      | 19            | 18            | 0            | 18                    | 15                    | 13              | 12              |
| Holyoke. ....            |               |               |              |                       |                       |                 |                 |
| Federal. ....            | 18            | 14            | 0            | 14                    | 12                    | 15              | 14              |
| Lake Vale. ....          | 20            | 20            | 0            | 20                    | 20                    | 17              | 15              |
| Union. ....              | 26            | 23            | 1            | 22                    | 20                    | 18              | 16              |
| West Hill. ....          |               |               |              |                       |                       |                 |                 |
| East Hill. ....          |               |               |              |                       |                       |                 |                 |
| Laurel. ....             |               |               |              |                       |                       |                 |                 |
| Blue Meadow. ....        | 11            | 8             | 0            | 8                     | 4                     | 7               | 6               |
|                          | 447           | 386           | 45           | 341                   | 286                   | 365             | 333             |

## Roll of Honor.

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### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE ONE YEAR.

|                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Olive Demarest  | Beatrice Squires |
| Belding Jackson | Wilfred Noel     |
| Walter Dodge    | Bernard Keyes    |
| Morris Landers  | Helen Rys        |
| James Keyes     | Michael Keyes    |
| Edward Kroll    | Joseph Syper     |
| Henry Bears     |                  |

### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE TWO TERMS.

|                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Isabel Bardwell  | Ethel Dewey     |
| William Gilbert  | Emma Stadler    |
| Louise Davis     | Robert Dunbar   |
| Timothy Maloney  | Dorothy Peeso   |
| Clayton Boltan   | Joseph Kulic    |
| Garfield Hubbard | Darcia Dodge    |
| Mary Flaherty    | Patrick Landers |
| John Dusha       | Joseph Klous    |
| Brouka Kulic     | James Sullivan  |

### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE ONE TERM.

|                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Walter Cook         | Waring Randall    |
| Lucy Warner         | Laura Terwilliger |
| Celia Blackmer      | Francis Allen     |
| Mildred Terwilliger | Bernice Cook      |

|                     |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| Susie Squires       | Luella Bardwell     |
| Eleanor Bardwell    | Pearl Dunbar        |
| Blake Jackson       | William Kimball     |
| Donald Sherman      | Dorothy Kimball     |
| Floyd Peeso         | Herbert Bardwell    |
| Alvin Michel        | William Chamberlain |
| Bertha Weston       | Olive Clough        |
| Donald Hazen        | Doris Chase         |
| Berkley Wood        | Howard Chase        |
| Howard Chase        | George Dewey        |
| William Squires     | John Wood           |
| Mary Donahue        | Joseph Klous        |
| John Kroll          | Edward Kulic        |
| Helen Rys           | James Sullivan      |
| Franklin Rys        | Mary Klous          |
| Andrew Kulic        | Leona Pratt         |
| Allan Doyle         | Lizzie Gula         |
| James McLean        | Howard McLean       |
| Alfrida Hubbard     | Bertha Kenfield     |
| Edna Kenfield       | Fred Crane          |
| Milton Blackmer     | Edward Snyder       |
| Arthur Farley       | Leona Farley        |
| Raymond Farley      | John Ganley         |
| George Ardell       | Eugene Fitzgerald   |
| Milton George       | Agnes Hanifin       |
| Irene Hanifin       | Charles McLaughlin  |
| John Flaherty       | Staffie Murray      |
| Anna Kennedy        | Mary LaCross        |
| Anna Sullivan       | James Wludyka       |
| Peter Wludyka       | Julia Cavanaugh     |
| Annie Pranaitis     | Newell Booth        |
| Elizabeth Cavanaugh | Nellie Cavanaugh    |
| Sophia Gondek       | Rosella Bernard     |
| Mary Donohue        | Edward Kulic        |
| Katherine Landers   | Anthony Murray      |
| Jerry Sullivan      |                     |



Graduating Exercises Of The  
Belchertown High School

June 24

1914

Congregational Church

8 P. M.

Commencement Song

1.

'Tis June, the month of roses,  
Of golden, sunny hours,  
Of happy bird notes calling,  
The month of sun and flowers;  
And nature's many voices  
From field and stream repeat  
The song our hearts are singing  
Commencement Day to greet.

2.

Right joyfully we hail thee,  
O long expected day!  
Yet there's a thrill of sadness  
That will not pass away;  
For autumn's golden weather  
No more for us will tell  
The hour of glad returning  
To scenes we love so well.

3.

No more the good old friendships,  
No more the well known ways,  
For us new paths must open,  
New duties fill our days,  
But time can never alter,  
And we'll remember, too,  
That "Labor conquers everything,"  
Our motto strong and true.

4.

So classmates stand together,  
As heartily we raise  
One loyal song at parting,  
In B. H. S.'s praise.  
May Fortune smile upon her,  
And we her name enthroned;  
For we'll forever cherish  
Her honor as our own.

Mabel H. Wood

PROCESSIONAL,  
INVOCATION  
Song of Patriotism

CHORUS

SALUTATORY, Little Things  
OLIVE L. DEMAREST

Magnificent America

JOHN R. BAGGS

Restriction of Immigration

FRANKLIN C. FLEMING

Education is Life Insurance

MABEL H. WOOD

Happy Dreamland

1914

Declamation

WALTER L. COOK

1914 History

WARING E. RANDALL

Appreciation of Life

LEROY A. LYON

L'Estudiantina

CHORUS

What Europe Thinks of Us

ORRIN C. DAVIS

1914 Prophecy

LUCY M. WARNER

My Place in Life

MERLE H. GAY

Eldorado

CHORUS

Prison Discipline

CLARK P. SPELLMAN

1914 Will

JOSEPH EARL

VALEDICTORY, Diving for Pearls

BEATRICE L. SQUIRES

Ode

1914

Presentation of Diplomas

Benediction

*Fair-lamb*

\* JOHN RAYMOND BAGGS

WALTER LUCIUS COOK

ORRIN CHESTER DAVIS

\* OLIVE LOUISE DEMAREST

JOSEPH EARL

FRANKLIN GOLDEN FLEMING

\* MERLE HAZEL GAY

\* LEROY ALBERT LYON

WARING EUGENE RANDALL

CLARK PORTER SPELLMAN

\* BEATRICE LUCINDA SQUIRES

LUCY MAY WARNER

MABEL HELEN WOOD

*Speranza*

LEROY ALBERT LYON, *President*

BEATRICE LUCINDA SQUIRES, *Vice-President*

CLARK PORTER SPELLMAN, *Secretary*

MERLE HAZEL GAY, *Treasurer*

*Rogues*

*Motto*

Labor Conquers Everything

*Pinsuti*

*Class Colors*

Red and White

*Class Flower*

Rose

*Murray*

\*Classical Course

Graduates

# Town Warrant.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,  
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections, and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday the first day of February next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the town officers and act thereon.

ART. 3. To choose the following named town officers: A Town Clerk, three Selectmen, a Treasurer, an Auditor, five Constables, and a Tax Collector, all for one year; one School Committee for three years; one Burial Ground Commissioner for three years; one Assessor for three years; also to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town.

ART. 4. To choose the following named town officers by nomination: One Tree Warden, three Fence Viewers, eight Measurers of Wood, eight Surveyors of Lumber, six Field Drivers, two Almoners of the Whiting Street Fund, and Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Fund,



all for one year, and one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

ART. 5. To raise money for the support of schools, to include the cost of fuel, school books, other supplies, and transportation, also salaries of Teachers, School Committee, Superintendent, Truant Officers, Janitors and incidentals.

ART. 6. To raise money for the repair of school-houses and act thereon.

ART. 7. To raise money to defray pauper expenses and act thereon.

ART. 8. To raise money to defray town expenses and act thereon.

ART. 9. To raise money to repair highways and bridges and to take such action as the town shall deem best.

ART. 10. To see if the town will vote to pay for the bond of the Treasurer.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to pay for the bonds, stationery and postage of the Tax Collector, in addition to his salary, and act thereon.

ART. 12. To see what action the town will take in regard to the use of the town house, or take any other action relative thereto.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to defray the expense of lighting the streets for the year ensuing, and take any action relative thereto.

ART. 14. To see if the town will employ a person to ring the bell and care for the town clock, and act thereon.

ART. 15. To see if the town will raise money to defray the expense of mowing, fencing and keeping in repair the several burying grounds, and act thereon.

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to place electric lights at the following named places and raise and appropriate money for the same: one at the corner of the Palmer and Springfield roads, one between that and the junction of the Ware and Palmer roads, three on the Ware road, one near the house of Mr. Loveland, one near the house of Mrs. Bardwell, and one near the house of John J. Garvey,

one at the turn near the Creamery, one near the watering trough on the Enfield road, one near the house of Geo. Warner, and one near the house of Henry Witt on the Amherst road, making nine additional lights, or take any other action relative thereto.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee of three, to be known as the committee on appropriations, who shall carefully investigate, and report to the next annual meeting the amounts needed in the several departments to be expended the ensuing year and act thereon.

ART. 18. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$ 450.00 to pay discounts on notes or take any other action relative thereto.

ART. 19. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for suppression of the Brown Tail Moth as required in chapter 381, acts of 1905, and amendments thereto.

ART. 20. To hear the report of any committee or committees whose duty it is to report at this meeting and act thereon.

ART. 21. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 200.00 for spraying and trimming shade trees, and act thereon.

ART. 22. To see if the town will change its method of electing its selectmen, and at its annual meeting in 1916, choose one selectman for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and choose one for three years annually thereafter, or take any other action relative thereto.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to change the place of posting the town warrant from Tylerville to some public building in South Belchertown, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 24. To see if the town will vote to make every field driver's premises a public pound in accordance with the revised laws, section 28, chapter 33, or pass any vote in relation thereto.

ART. 25. To see if the town will adopt a by-law to regulate the frequenting of public places by minors, or pass any vote in relation thereto.

ART. 26. To see if the town will adopt such by-laws as shall allow its selectmen to license peddlers, hawkers, collectors of junk, old



metals and second hand articles, to operate within the limits of the town, or pass any vote in relation thereto.

ART. 27. To hear the report of the Water Committee, and act thereon.

ART. 28. To see if the town will vote to purchase and procure water rights, estates, franchises and privileges of the Belchertown Water Co., a corporation organized under chapter 350 of the acts of the year 1912, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 29 To see if the town will authorize its Treasurer, by and with the approval of its selectmen to borrow a sum not exceeding \$ 2,000.00 to use in purchasing water rights, estates, franchises and privileges of the Belchertown Water Co., as organized under chapter 350 of the acts of the year 1912, payable in four years from the date of borrowing in proportionate annual payments, with interest at a rate not exceeding 5 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and issue bonds, script, or notes on the town therefor, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 30. To see if the town will create a new town office of messenger, and elect a suitable person to that office, who will print or have printed and mail to all the voters of the town, the annual town reports at least seven days before the regular town meeting, also all the town warrants for all the caucuses and special town meetings and rallies, to print on folders or postal cards, and mail them to each voter at least seven days prior to such meetings, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 31. To see if the town will put the several school houses, and the town hall at the disposal of the citizens to be used for the discussion of economic and political questions and occasionally used for entertainments and rallies, and act thereon.

ART. 32. To see if the town will petition the state and county to furnish us one or two instructors to discuss both phases of any questions to be voted on by referendum seven days previous to such voting day, signed by M. H. Jejian and twenty others.

ART. 33. To see what action the town will take to reimburse the commonwealth for money due for abolition of grade crossing at



Barretts Junction to the amount of \$ 1,075.50, payable as follows: November 15, 1915, \$ 575.50. November 15, 1916, \$ 500.00, with interest at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent from July 22, 1914.

ART. 34. To see what action the town will take in regard to disposing of the large fire wagon, using proceeds of sale with the balance in treasury for extinguishers, to buy one 40 gallon extinguisher, and act thereon.

ART. 35. To see if the town will vote to buy a new road scraper, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 36. To see what action the town will take as to electing its road superintendent by ballot for a term of three years, at its annual town meeting in 1916, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 37. To see what action the town will take in regard to purchasing a few additional settees for the town hall, and raise and appropriate money for same, or take any other action relative thereto.

ART. 38. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$50 for the use of the G. A. R. Post No. 97, on Memorial Day, and act thereon. Signed by H. L. Hadlock and ten others.

ART. 39. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$ 1000, to be used, dollar for dollar, in connection with the state of Massachusetts under the supervision of the highway commission in constructing state road and act thereon.

ART. 40. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Polls to be opened at 10.30 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 3 o'clock P. M., unless otherwise ordered by vote of the town.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight, and one at Tylerville, seven days before the time of holding the aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of January, A. D. 1915.

|                |   |              |
|----------------|---|--------------|
| F. M. FULLER,  | } | Selectmen    |
| J. J. GARVEY,  |   | of           |
| E. F. SHUMWAY, |   | Belchertown. |







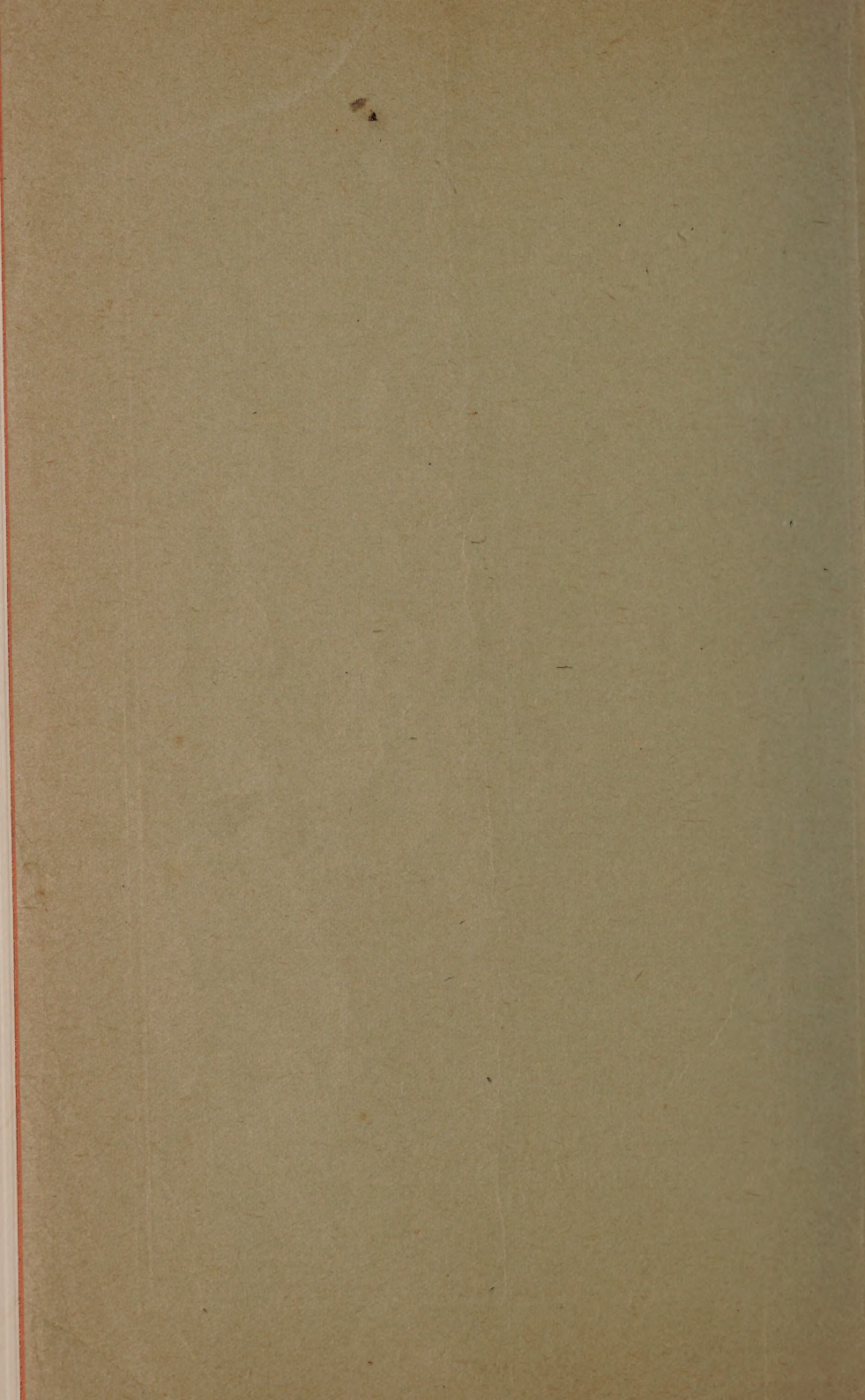


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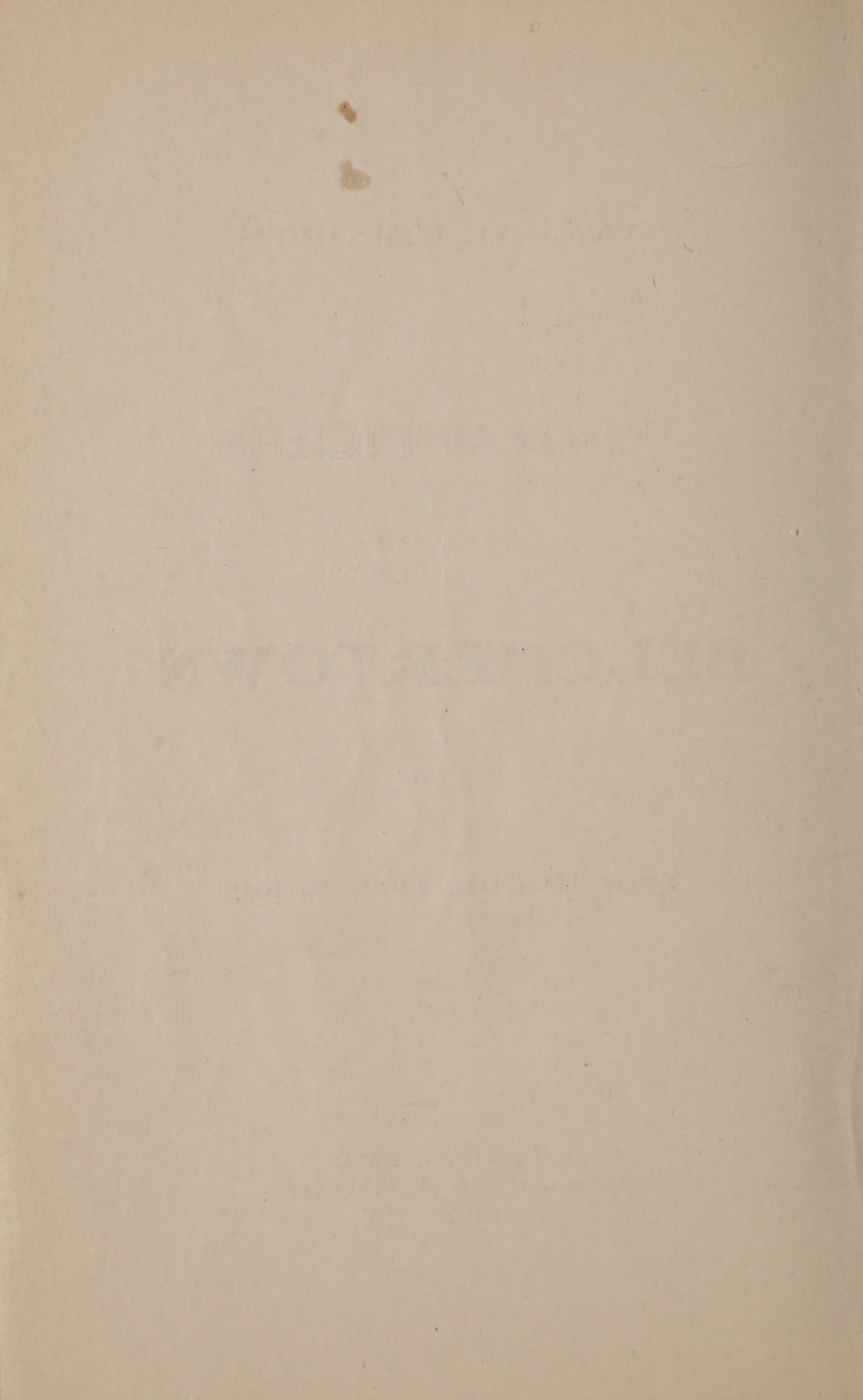


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## Minutes of Town Meeting, held February 1, 1915

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Meeting called to order at 10 o'clock by Town Clerk, A. Bridgman, who read the warrant and then called for action under article 1.

### ARTICLE 1.

Moderator, George H. B. Green.

Prayer was offered by Rev. H. I. Bailey.

### ARTICLE 2.

Voted to waive the reading of all reports and then accepted them in their regular order.

### ARTICLE 3.

Ballot Clerks, Tellers and Counters sworn, Ballots delivered to Ballot Clerks and receipt taken. Keys to ballot box given to M. S. Barton, constable, box opened and found empty, polls opened at 10.45.

Ballot Clerks, Frank E. Austin (D) M. E. Williams (R)  
Tellers, William Kimball (R) C. R. Aldrich (D)

Gate Keepers, C. R. Green (R) C. W. Hathaway

Counters, E. C. Witt (R) A. R. Lewis (R) Chester  
Canterbury (D) H. F. Shaw (D)

Tree Warden, James A. Peeso.

Fence Viewers, F. M. Fuller, E. C. Witt and H. H. Witt.  
 8 Measurers of Wood.                      8 Surveyors of Lumber.

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| C. A. Marsh        | E. F. Flaherty |
| James A. Peeso     | A. L. Kimball  |
| E. A. R. Fairchild | Harry Conkey   |
| Lyman Randolph     | James A. Peeso |
| W. M. Goodell      | E. R. Peeso    |
| E. R. Peeso        | E. F. Shumway  |
| H. H. Barrett      | H. S. Pratt    |
| E. F. Shumway      | F. M. Fuller   |

Six Field Drivers, Walter Morse, Allen Howard, Herbert Paine, E. E. Gay, Colquet Ward and Roy G. Shaw.

Two Almoners of Whiting Street and Mrs. S. M. D. Bridgman Fund, Mrs. Myron G. Ward and Mrs. Geo. L. Witt.

One Trustee of Calvin Bridgman Fund, Myron S. Barton.

#### ARTICLE 5.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 6,500.00 for support of schools.

#### ARTICLE 6.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 300.00 for repair of school houses.

#### ARTICLE 7.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 1,500.00 for pauper expenses.

#### ARTICLE 8.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 2,500.00 for town expenses.

#### ARTICLE 9.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 3,000.00 for highways and bridges, \$ 500.00 to be used on the road leading from the Catholic church to Tylerville.

#### ARTICLE 10.

Voted to pay for the bond of the Treasurer.

At 1 o'clock voted to suspend voting and for the counters to begin to count, and 200 ballots were taken from the ballot box.



## ARTICLE 11.

Voted to pay for the bond, stationery and postage of the tax collector.

## ARTICLE 12.

Voted to leave the use of the town house with the selectmen.

## ARTICLE 13.

Voted to lay on table and take up article 16.

## ARTICLE 16.

Voted to place electric lights as called for in article 16 and one in front of Mrs. Ellen Bridgman's house and one at the Riley corner and two on the road by E. E. Stebbins, thirteen in all. And that the selectmen be instructed to enter into a yearly contract with the Electric Co. for 63 street lights at a fixed rate per annum for lights of a certain capacity and that the contract be accessible to the voters at any reasonable time. Voted to take up article 13.

## ARTICLE 13.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 1,200.00 to defray the expense of lighting the streets.

## ARTICLE 14.

Voted to leave with the selectmen.

## ARTICLE 15.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 100.00.

## ARTICLE 17.

Voted that a committee of three be appointed by the chair to be known as the committee on appropriation, and the following were appointed: M. S. Barton, Guy C. Allen and M. G. Ward.

## ARTICLE 18.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 450.00 to pay discount on notes.

## ARTICLE 19.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 100.00 for suppression of the brown tail moth.

## ARTICLE 20.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

## ARTICLE 21.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 150.00 for spraying and trimming shade trees.

## ARTICLE 22.

Voted to postpone its method of electing its selectmen.

## ARTICLE 23.

Voted to change the place of posting town warrant from Tylerville to Keyes' hotel.

## ARTICLE 24.

Voted to make field drivers' premises a public pound.

## ARTICLE 25.

Voted to adopt the following by-law:

No person under the age of 15 years shall be or remain in or upon any street or public place in the town at night after the hour of 10 o'clock unless the said person is actually employed in some work that makes it necessary or is accompanied by a person having general care and custody of said person, or is engaged in the performance of some mission or duty directed by a person having general care and custody of said person.

## ARTICLE 26.

Voted to adopt the following by-law:

The selectmen may in payment of a fee, license suitable persons as junk collectors, to collect by purchase or otherwise, junk, old metals and second-hand articles from place to place in the town. Also hawkers and peddlers of foreign fruits or merchandise not produced or made by themselves or families and they may provide that such collector, hawkers and peddlers

shall display badges upon their person or upon their vehicles or upon both when engaged in collecting, transporting, dealing in, or in disposing of the afore mentioned articles and may prescribe the design thereof. They may also provide that such junk, old metal, second hand articles, foreign fruits or merchandise as aforesaid mentioned may be examined at any and all times by the selectmen or by any person authorized by them thereto. The license fee for such collectors, hawkers and peddlers as mentioned in section shall be not less than two or more than ten dollars.

At 3 o'clock voted to keep the polls open until 4 o'clock and take up article 28.

#### ARTICLE 28.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

#### ARTICLE 29.

Voted to lay on the table.

#### ARTICLE 30.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

#### ARTICLE 31.

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

#### ARTICLE 32.

Voted to lay on the table.

#### ARTICLE 33.

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 575.00 to reimburse the Commonwealth in regard to the grade crossing at Barretts crossing.

#### ARTICLE 34.

Voted to instruct the selectmen with the chief of the fire department.

#### ARTICLE 35.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 225.00 in regard to a new road scraper.

#### ARTICLE 36.

Voted to lay on the table.



## ARTICLE 37.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 120.00 for settees for the town hall.

## ARTICLE 38.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 50.00 for the G. A. R. Memorial Day.

## ARTICLE 39.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 1,000.00 in accordance to the article.

## ARTICLE 40.

Voted that the selectmen be asked to open the polls at 7 o'clock a. m. for annual and state elections.

And a committee of 5 were chosen to be known as a transportation committee, and the following are the committee: M. A. Morse, A. F. Bardwell, G. H. B. Green, M. S. Barton and William Orlando.

At 6.30 o'clock the counting of the ballots being completed the moderator announced as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, males 340, females 2.

## TOWN CLERK.

A. Bridgman, 234 votes, Fred D. Walker, 71, blanks 35.

## SELECTMEN.

|                   |            |                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| Frank B. Alden,   | 119 votes, | R. E. Fairchild,  | 125 votes, |
| John J. Garvey,   | 191 votes, | Winslow S. Piper, | 85 votes,  |
| Edwin F. Shumway, | 187 votes, | George S. Warner, | 193 votes, |
| Fred M. Fuller,   | 2 votes,   | E. C. Witt,       | 1 vote.    |

## TREASURER.

A. Bridgman, 240 votes, F. D. Walker, 72 votes, blanks 28.

## AUDITOR.

George F. Lincoln, 159 votes, Wilbur F. Nichols, 139 votes, blanks 42.

## ASSESSOR for 3 years

Michael P. Bowler, 185 votes, Wesley M. Goodell, 119 votes,  
blanks 36.

## TAX COLLECTOR.

Walter D. E. Morse, 178 votes, D. F. Shumway, 132 votes,  
George S. Warner, 1 vote, blanks 29.

## CONSTABLES.

Michael F. Austin, 139 votes, Frank E. Austin, 108 votes,  
Myron S. Barton, 180 votes, Eugene F. Flaherty, 137 votes,  
Fred M. Fuller, 123 votes, Henry M. Lamson, 71 votes,  
Charles A. Marsh, 110 votes, James A. Peeso, 160 votes,  
Herbert D. Paine, 125 votes, Dwight Shumway, 126 votes,  
blanks 421.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Milton C. Baggs, 150 votes, Henry W. Eliot, 150 votes,  
blanks 42.

## BURIAL GROUND COMMISSIONER 3 years.

Henry R. Gould, 101 votes, Roy G. Shaw, 181 votes,  
blanks 58.

Liquor license, yes 211 votes, no 103 votes, blanks 26.

Meeting dissolved at 7 o'clock.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

# Special Town Meeting

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JUNE 21, 1915

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.  
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,  
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Belchertown on Monday the twenty-first day of June next at 7.30 p. m., then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will accept the provisions of chapter 287 of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, the same being an act to authorize the town of Belchertown to supply itself and its inhabitants with water.

ART. 3. To choose by ballot three persons to hold office, one until the expiration of three years, one until the expiration of two years and one until the expiration of one year from the next succeeding annual town meeting to constitute a Board



of Water Commissioners, as provided under said chapter 287.

ART. 4. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer under the approval of the Water Commissioners and in conformity to the Revised Laws and requirements of said chapter 287 to borrow a sum of money not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred or to be incurred in supplying the town and its inhabitants with water as authorized under said chapter 287 and issue bonds or notes therefor.

ART. 5. To act upon such other matters as may legally come before said meeting under the provision of the said chapter 287.

ART. 6. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to pay C. Jensen for a horse alleged to have been injured by reason of a defect in the highway and take any action relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight and one at Keyes hotel, seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands the twelfth day of June, A. D. 1915.

|                 |   |                     |
|-----------------|---|---------------------|
| E. F. SHUMWAY,  | } | <i>Selectmen</i>    |
| J. J. GARVEY,   |   | <i>of</i>           |
| GEO. S. WARNER, |   | <i>Belchertown.</i> |

Belchertown, June 14, 1915.

This is to certify that I have posted the warrants for the special town meeting seven days before time for holding said meeting, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight and one at Keyes hotel.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Constable*

# Special Town Meeting, June 21, 1915.

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## DOINGS ON THE WARRANT

Meeting called to order at 7.30 o'clock by Town Clerk, A. Bridgman, who read the warrant and then called for action under article first.

### ARTICLE 1.

Moderator G. H. B. Green.

### ARTICLE 2.

Voted to accept an act to authorize the town of Belcher-town to supply itself and its inhabitants with water by a vote of 104 yes to 55 no and then voted to suspend action on article three and take up article five.

### ARTICLE 5.

And then voted to accept the report of the Water Commission.

### ARTICLE 3.

Voted to choose three Water Commissioners by ballot and the following were chosen: A. F. Bardwell for three years, F. M. Fuller for two years and E. F. Shumway for one year.

### ARTICLE 4.

Voted not to issue note or bonds by a vote of 37 no, 72 yes, as it required a two-thirds vote in order to pass the vote.

### ARTICLE 6.

Voted to leave with the selectmen the matter of settlement with C. Jensen, for the alleged injury to his horse by reason of a defect in the highway.

At 11.45 p. m., no other business coming before the meeting, the meeting was dissolved.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

# Special Town Meeting, June 30, 1915

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## WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Belchertown on Wednesday the thirtieth day of June next at 2 o'clock p. m., then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at the said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer under the approval of the Water Commissioners and in conformity to the Revised Laws and requirements of chapter 287 of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and fifteen to borrow a sum of money not exceeding fifty thousand dollars for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred or to be incurred in supplying the town and its inhabitants with water as authorized under said chapter 287 and issue bonds or notes therefor.



ART. 3. To act upon such other matters as may legally come before said meeting under the provision of the said chapter 287.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight and one at Keyes hotel seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hand this twenty-second day of June, A. D. 1915.

|                 |   |                                          |
|-----------------|---|------------------------------------------|
| E. F. SHUMWAY,  | } | <i>Selectmen<br/>of<br/>Belchertown.</i> |
| J. J. GARVEY,   |   |                                          |
| GEO. S. WARNER, |   |                                          |

By virtue of this warrant I have posted the warrant for a special town meeting, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight and one at Keyes hotel seven days before the time of holding the said meeting.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Constable*  
Belchertown, June 22, 1915

## DOINGS ON THE WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING JUNE 30, 1915

Meeting called to order at 2 o'clock by Town Clerk A. Bridgman, who read the warrant and called for action under article one.

### ARTICLE 1.

Moderator, Alvan R. Lewis.

### ARTICLE 2.

Motion made to bond the town for \$ 40,000.00 with the following result: whole number votes cast 259; yes 150, no 109, which failed to receive the required two-thirds vote.

Ballot Clerks and Counters, H. F. Peck, Roy G. Shaw, James A. Peeso and W. A. Kimball.

### ARTICLE 3.

No other business coming before the meeting, the meeting was dissolved at 4.45 o'clock.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

# Special Town Meeting

JULY 12, 1915

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,  
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Belchertown on Monday the twelfth day of July next at 2 o'clock p. m. then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see what action the town will take relative to providing for the payment of the proposed loan of forty thousand dollars for the purpose of supplying itself and its inhabitants with water in accordance with the special act chapter 287 of the acts of the year 1915, in such annual payments beginning not more than one year after the first issue of the bonds as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed by said act.

ART. 3. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the taxes of the municipal year beginning February 1st, 1915, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 11,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year.

ART. 4. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight and one at Keyes hotel, seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this second day of July, A. D. 1915.

|                 |   |                     |
|-----------------|---|---------------------|
| E. F. SHUMWAY,  | } | <i>Selectmen</i>    |
| J. J. GARVEY,   |   | <i>of</i>           |
| GEO. S. WARNER, |   | <i>Belchertown.</i> |

By virtue of this warrant, I have posted the warrants for a special town meeting seven days before time for holding said meeting, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight and one at Keyes hotel.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Constable*  
July 3, 1915.

#### DOINGS ON THE WARRANT JULY 12, 1915

Meeting called to order at 2 o'clock by Town Clerk, A. Bridgman, who read the warrant and then called for action under article one.

#### ARTICLE 1.

Moderator, George H. B. Green.



## ARTICLE 2.

Motion made as per printed ballot which was as follows: (Ballot Clerks appointed, M. A. Morse, William Keyes and R. E. Fairchild.)

That the town provide for the payment of the proposed loan in the manner following: fifteen hundred dollars payable each year for the first twenty years from the date of the issue of the first bonds, and one thousand dollars due and payable each year for the next succeeding ten years, and that the vote taken thereon shall be by printed ballot; with the following result: whole number of votes cast 229; no 123, yes 106. At 2.55 o'clock voted to keep the polls open for 15 minutes.

## ARTICLE 3.

Voted to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the taxes of the municipal year beginning February 1st 1915, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 11,000.00, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year.

## ARTICLE 4.

No other business coming before the meeting, at 4 o'clock voted to adjourn.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

# Special Town Meeting

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JULY 30, 1915

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.  
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,  
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Belchertown on Friday, the thirtieth day of July next, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to renew or refund any portion or all of the loans issued in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st, 1915, and falling due in July, October and December of the said municipal year as provided for by section 9 chapter 719 of the acts of 1913 as amended.

ART. 3. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time, in addition to the \$18,000.00 authorized at the special town meeting held January 8, 1915, in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st 1915, an amount not to exceed in the aggregate \$ 21,236.31 including the authorization of \$ 18,000.00

ART. 4. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars for highways and bridges.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight and one at Keyes hotel seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twentieth day of July A. D. 1915.

|                 |   |                                          |
|-----------------|---|------------------------------------------|
| E. F. SHUMWAY,  | } | <i>Selectmen<br/>of<br/>Belchertown.</i> |
| J. J. GARVEY,   |   |                                          |
| GEO. S. WARNER, |   |                                          |

By virtue of this warrant I have this day posted attested copies thereof at the places designated seven days before the time of holding the meeting aforesaid.

JAMES A. PEESO, *Constable*  
Belchertown, July 20, 1915

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### DOINGS ON THE WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING JULY 30, 1915

Meeting called to order at 2.30 o'clock by Town Clerk, A. Bridgman, who read the warrant and then called for action under article first.



ARTICLE 1.

Moderator, G. H. B. Green.

ARTICLE 2.

Voted that the town hereby authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to renew or refund any portion or all of the loans issued in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st 1915, and falling due in July, October and December of said municipal year as provided for by section 9 chapter 719 of the acts of 1913 as amended, any loans issued under the authority of this vote to be paid from the taxes of the municipal year beginning January 1st, 1915.

ARTICLE 3.

Voted that the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in addition to the \$ 18,000.00 authorized at the special town meeting held January 8th, 1915, in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st 1915, an amount not to exceed in the aggregate \$ 21,236.31 including the original authorization of \$ 18,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the said municipal year.

ARTICLE 4.

Voted to appropriate the sum of \$ 500.00 for highways and bridges and that it be taken from uncollected taxes.

No other business coming before the meeting, the meeting was dissolved at 2.45 o'clock.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

# Report of Town Clerk

*For the year ending Dec. 31, 1915*

## STATISTICS OF

### BIRTHS

|          |   |       |   |            |   |          |   |
|----------|---|-------|---|------------|---|----------|---|
| January  | 2 | April | 3 | July       | 2 | October  | 4 |
| February | 3 | May   | 1 | August     | 9 | November | 0 |
| March    | 5 | June  | 2 | September  | 3 | December | 7 |
| Males 20 |   |       |   | Females 21 |   |          |   |

### RETURN OF BIRTHS

|                             |    |                  |   |
|-----------------------------|----|------------------|---|
| Dr. James L. Collard        | 21 | Dr. H. W. Eliot  | 3 |
| " H. C. Cheney              | 3  | " N. C. Haskell  | 1 |
| " O. C. Gelimar             | 1  | " W. B. T. Smith | 5 |
| " W. B. Segur               | 3  | " C. H. Giroux   | 2 |
| John F. Sheehan, City Clerk |    | 2                |   |

### MARRIAGES

|                      |                  |    |
|----------------------|------------------|----|
| Number of intentions |                  | 11 |
| " marriages          |                  | 13 |
| First marriages:     | males 9, females | 13 |
| Second "             | " 4, "           | 0  |
| Youngest male        | 18, "            | 17 |
| Oldest "             | 55, "            | 40 |

## DEATHS

|                           |   |       |   |           |   |          |   |
|---------------------------|---|-------|---|-----------|---|----------|---|
| January                   | 3 | April | 1 | July      | 2 | October  | 2 |
| February                  | 3 | May   | 2 | August    | 2 | November | 0 |
| March                     | 6 | June  | 4 | September | 4 | December | 2 |
| Males                     |   | 15    |   | Females   |   | 16       |   |
| Native born               |   | 26    |   | Foreign   |   | 5        |   |
| Number of town meetings   |   |       |   |           |   | 7        |   |
| Mortgages and attachments |   |       |   |           |   | 19       |   |

## DOG LICENSES

|                       |           |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Males, 218 at \$ 2.00 | \$ 436.00 |           |
| Females, 12 at 5.00   | 60.00     |           |
|                       | <hr/>     | \$ 496.00 |

Paid the above (less fees) to County Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*



## Assessors' Report

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|                          |               |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Valuation of real estate | \$ 813,500.00 |               |
| “ personal estate        | 186,355.00    |               |
|                          | <hr/>         | \$ 999,855.00 |

RATE OF TAXATION, \$ 22.00 PER THOUSAND

|                    |              |              |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Tax on real estate | \$ 17,897.00 |              |
| “ personal estate  | 4,099.81     |              |
| “ polls            | 1,146.00     |              |
|                    | <hr/>        | \$ 23,142.81 |

WE HAVE ASSESSED THE TAX AS FOLLOWS:

|                   |              |              |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Appropriations    | \$ 17,770.50 |              |
| State tax         | 2,437.50     |              |
| County tax        | 2,163.73     |              |
| Grade crossing    | 625.06       |              |
| State highway tax | 131.99       |              |
| Overlayings       | 14.03        |              |
|                   | <hr/>        | \$ 23,142.81 |

|                                  |          |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Added assessments                | \$ 30.00 |
| Number of acres of land assessed | 32,744   |
| horses                           | 514      |
| cows                             | 1,170    |
| sheep                            | 22       |
| neat cattle other than cows      | 397      |

|                                    |           |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Number of swine                    | 125       |           |
| fowls                              | 8,800     |           |
| Residents assessed on property     | 533       |           |
| Non-residents assessed on property | 143       |           |
| For poll only                      | 240       |           |
| Received as assessors:             |           |           |
| F. E. Austin                       | \$ 120.00 |           |
| "    paid for field books, etc.    | 5.05      |           |
| "    carfare & expense to Boston   | 7.50      |           |
|                                    | <hr/>     | \$ 132.55 |
| J. A. Peeso                        | \$ 120.00 |           |
| "    paid tax collector's book     | 2.00      |           |
| "    for telephone etc.            | .50       |           |
| "    carfare & expense to Boston   | 7.50      |           |
|                                    | <hr/>     | \$ 130.00 |
| M. F. Bowler                       |           | \$ 120.00 |

Audited Jan. 14th

We call the attention of the voters to the fact that the valuation of the town will exceed the million dollar mark which will mean some two hundred dollars or more less from the state for the support of schools for the coming year.

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|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| FRANK E. AUSTIN   | } <i>Assessors</i><br><i>of</i><br><i>Belchertown</i> |
| JAMES A. PEESO    |                                                       |
| MICHAEL F. BOWLER |                                                       |

## Collector's Report

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Balance in Collector's hands Sept. 14, 1915, for<br>taxes uncollected by Geo. S. Warner     | \$ 1,594.96      |
| He has collected interest to the amount of                                                  | 77.19            |
|                                                                                             | <hr/>            |
| Total                                                                                       | \$ 1,672.15      |
| <br>He has paid the Treasurer                                                               | <br>1,077.15     |
|                                                                                             | <hr/>            |
| Balance in Collector's hands                                                                | \$ 595.00        |
| <br>The amount committed to your Collector as per<br>Assessor's warrant dated Sept. 3, 1915 | <br>\$ 23,128.78 |
| Interest collected on taxes from Oct. 15, 1915 to<br>Jan. 1, 1916                           | 29.95            |
|                                                                                             | <hr/>            |
| Total                                                                                       | \$ 23,158.73     |
| <br>He has collected and paid the Treasurer                                                 | <br>16,004.08    |
|                                                                                             | <hr/>            |
| Balance in Collector's hands                                                                | \$ 7,154.65      |

WALTER D. E. MORSE, *Collector*

G. F. Lincoln, Auditor

7,154.65  
595.00  

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7,749.65



## Treasurer's Report

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| 1915   | <i>Dr.</i>                                                    |             |
| Jan. 1 | Balance due on settlement                                     | \$ 3,262.05 |
| 13     | Cash of George S. Warner                                      | 689.75      |
| 13     | County Treasurer, dog fund                                    | 444.28      |
| 14     | Town of Leominster                                            | 51.71       |
| 19     | State Treasurer, transportation of<br>paupers                 | 2.52        |
| 25     | George S. Warner, 1915 tax                                    | 103.21      |
| 27     | “ 1914 tax                                                    | 382.35      |
| 28     | State Treasurer, Mass. school fund                            | 1,328.83    |
| Feb. 1 | Town Farm                                                     | 95.46       |
| 1      | Amherst Bank, note dated Jan. 21st                            | 3,000.00    |
| 5      | George S. Warner                                              | 250.80      |
| 9      | Mrs. Ellen Bridgman for street light                          | 10.00       |
| 13     | George S. Warner, 1913 tax                                    | 120.58      |
| 13     | “ 1914 tax                                                    | 305.10      |
| 16     | B. & M. R. R., fighting fire                                  | 42.25       |
| 23     | George S. Warner                                              | 222.60      |
| 25     | Baptist Society, care Wm. B. Owen<br>lot in Mt. Hope cemetery | 50.00       |
| Mar. 1 | Town Farm                                                     | 104.05      |
| 3      | George S. Warner                                              | 222.98      |
| 23     | “                                                             | 211.70      |

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| Apr. 1 | Cash of Town Farm                                                           | \$ 81.67 |
| 2      | George S. Warner, 1913 tax                                                  | 227.24   |
| 2      | “ 1914 tax                                                                  | 290.90   |
| 10     | “                                                                           | 206.20   |
| 12     | D. W. Howe, rent of town hall                                               | 9.00     |
| 15     | C. E. Society, “ “                                                          | 5.00     |
| 16     | A. Davis, junk dealer license                                               | 2.00     |
| 20     | D. W. Howe, rent of town hall                                               | 27.00    |
| 22     | Guy C. Allen, auct. license                                                 | 2.00     |
| 22     | George S. Warner                                                            | 114.30   |
| 27     | Stephen Maigolis, junk dealer license                                       | 3.00     |
| 28     | Amherst Bank, note dated April 20th                                         | 4,000.00 |
| 30     | Patrick J. Keyes, license                                                   | 1,000.00 |
| 30     | Charles Clark, pool license                                                 | 2.00     |
| May 1  | H. M. Jepson, butcher license                                               | 1.00     |
| 1      | Peter M. Adzima, “                                                          | 1.00     |
| 1      | Town Farm                                                                   | 140.24   |
| 1      | George E. Alderman, license                                                 | 550.00   |
| 1      | N. W. Farrar                                                                | 1.00     |
| 1      | J. J. Garvey, pool table license                                            | 2.00     |
| 3      | D. W. Howe, rent of town hall                                               | 12.00    |
| 5      | George S. Warner                                                            | 249.56   |
| 10     | D. W. Howe, rent of town hall                                               | 3.00     |
| 14     | State Forester, protection against<br>forest fires                          | 36.00    |
| 18     | George S. Warner                                                            | 284.14   |
| 25     | D. W. Howe, rent of town hall                                               | 6.00     |
| 25     | Dr. Eliot, “ “                                                              | 1.50     |
| 31     | D. W. Howe, “ “                                                             | 3.00     |
| June 1 | Town Farm                                                                   | 176.73   |
| 4      | H. D. Paine, butcher license                                                | 1.00     |
| 7      | Mayer Suher, “                                                              | 1.00     |
| 8      | Amherst Bank, note due Dec. 4th                                             | 5,000.00 |
| 10     | Mrs. John B. Sibley, care of Ed-<br>mund Willis lot in Mt. Hope<br>cemetery | 50.00    |

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| June 17 | Cash of George S. Warner                                 | \$ 228.37 |
| 21      | D. W. Howe, rent of town hall                            | 9.00      |
| 29      | Meyer Suher, dealer in junk, chickens and calves         | 2.50      |
| July 1  | Town Farm                                                | 142.51    |
| 1       | E. F. Shumway for banquet expenses                       | 34.00     |
| 1       | Fines from dist. court                                   | 20.00     |
| 3       | George S. Warner, 1913 tax                               | 99.12     |
| 3       | Samuel K. Wilson, victualer license                      | 1.00      |
| 10      | George S. Warner                                         | 212.80    |
| 17      | Town of Leominster                                       | 52.00     |
| 20      | George S. Warner                                         | 173.90    |
| 20      | Estate of Mary M. Hyde, care of lot in Mt. Hope cemetery | 50.00     |
| 22      | Maurice Pellet, peddler license                          | 2.50      |
| 29      | Edward Kessler, use of town hall                         | 5.00      |
| 31      | Mrs. M. S. Barton, " "                                   | 2.00      |
| Aug. 2  | Town Farm                                                | 178.22    |
| 3       | George S. Warner                                         | 370.85    |
| 4       | D. W. Howe, rent of town hall                            | 15.00     |
| 5       | Renewal of note due Nov. 20th                            | 3,000.00  |
| 5       | Note Amherst Bank due Dec. 31st                          | 3,000.00  |
| 9       | D. W. Howe, rent of town hall                            | 3.00      |
| 11      | M. Zlotnick, junk dealer                                 | 3.00      |
| 11      | George S. Warner                                         | 276.34    |
| 18      | " 1913 tax                                               | 2.96      |
| 20      | E. D. Lawrence, pedler license                           | 3.00      |
| 20      | George S. Warner                                         | 110.30    |
| 23      | D. W. Howe, rent of town hall                            | 6.00      |
| 27      | George S. Warner                                         | 266.20    |
| 27      | Town of Enfield                                          | 131.25    |
| 30      | D. W. Howe, rent of town hall                            | 3.00      |
| Sept. 1 | Town Farm                                                | 60.84     |
| 1       | Samuel Kamlsky, peddler license                          | 3.00      |
| 2       | State Treasurer, inspection of animals                   | 75.00     |



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| Sept. 2 | Cash of George S. Warner                  | \$ 143.55 |
| 7       | D. W. Howe                                | 3.00      |
| 13      | W. D. E. Morse                            | 560.68    |
| 14      | D. W. Howe                                | 3.00      |
| 13      | George S. Warner                          | 121.60    |
| 20      | W. D. E. Morse                            | 501.32    |
| 21      | D. W. Howe                                | 3.00      |
| 27      | "                                         | 3.00      |
| 28      | W. D. E. Morse                            | 500.31    |
| Oct. 1  | Town Farm                                 | 103.83    |
| 1       | W. D. E. Morse                            | 875.08    |
| 1       | finer from dist. court                    | 19.22     |
| 4       | W. D. E. Morse                            | 246.10    |
| 5       | "                                         | 88.36     |
| 6       | D. W. Howe                                | 3.00      |
| 9       | W. D. E. Morse                            | 253.94    |
| 12      | D. W. Howe                                | 3.00      |
| 14      | W. D. E. Morse                            | 423.91    |
| 15      | "                                         | 362.90    |
| 16      | "                                         | 287.90    |
| 18      | D. W. Howe                                | 3.00      |
| 19      | W. D. E. Morse                            | 622.61    |
| 23      | "                                         | 2,244.08  |
| 26      | D. W. Howe                                | 3.00      |
| 27      | W. D. E. Morse                            | 1,233.99  |
| Nov. 1  | "                                         | 1,007.52  |
| 1       | "                                         | 1,352.64  |
| 1       | D. W. Howe                                | 3.00      |
| 2       | Town Farm                                 | 57.69     |
| 3       | W. D. E. Morse                            | 1,035.74  |
| 3       | " 1914 tax                                | 378.53    |
| 4       | State Treasurer, acct. of school<br>Supt. | 1,250.00  |
| 8       | W. D. E. Morse                            | 517.01    |
| 8       | D. W. Howe                                | 3.00      |

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| Nov. 15 | Cash of State Treasurer, corporation tax | \$ 38.37 |
| 15      | “ “                                      |          |
|         | business                                 | 61.85    |
| 15      | State Treasurer, national bank tax       | 328.35   |
| 15      | “ state aid                              | 1,932.00 |
| 15      | “ burial of pauper                       | 15.00    |
| 15      | “ indigent soldier                       | 50.00    |
| 15      | “ tuition of children                    | 381.00   |
| 15      | W. D. E. Morse                           | 1,058.96 |
| 15      | “ 1914 tax                               | 128.58   |
| 16      | D. W. Howe                               | 3.00     |
| 22      | “                                        | 3.00     |
| 27      | “                                        | 3.00     |
| 29      | W. D. E. Morse 1914 tax                  | 187.44   |
| 29      | “                                        | 609.59   |
| Dec. 2  | Town Farm                                | 101.74   |
| 7       | D. W. Howe                               | 3.00     |
| 8       | W. D. E. Morse, 1914 tax                 | 68.80    |
| 8       | “                                        | 399.55   |
| 10      | State Treasurer, acct. corporation tax   | 10.67    |
| 16      | D. W. Howe                               | 3.00     |
| 20      | W. D. E. Morse                           | 368.13   |
| 20      | D. W. Howe                               | 3.00     |
| 31      | W. D. E. Morse, 1914 tax                 | 57.96    |
| 31      | “                                        | 566.49   |
| 31      | John Wood, lot in Mt. Hope cemetery      | 25.00    |
| 31      | D. W. Howe                               | 3.00     |
| 31      | Fines in dist. court                     | 25.00    |
| 1916    |                                          |          |
| Jan. 1  | Estate of George S. Warner               | 99.53    |
| 1       | Walter Dunbar, milk license              | 1.50     |
| 1       | Town Farm                                | 153.42   |
| 1       | W. D. E. Morse                           | 887.28   |
| 1       | “ 1914 tax                               | 255.84   |

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| Jan. 1 | Cash of Amherst Savings Bank, library fund               | \$ 171.80    |
| 1      | "    "    "    High School<br>fund                       | 257.70       |
| 1      | Amherst Savings Bank, Mt. Hope<br>cemetery fund          | 194.25       |
| 1      | Amherst Savings Bank, S. M. D.<br>Bridgman cemetery fund | 8.59         |
|        |                                                          | <hr/>        |
|        |                                                          | \$ 54,616.26 |

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| Jan. 9 | Cash paid Bureau of statistics, cert. note                                 | \$ 2.00  |
| 14     | Town of Enfield, acct. of school<br>Supt.                                  | 350.00   |
| 16     | Clapp Memorial Library, dog fund                                           | 444.28   |
| 18     | Bureau of statistics, cert. note                                           | 2.00     |
| Feb. 1 | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court                                       | 23.78    |
| 1      | Note Amherst bank, Jan. 21st                                               | 3,000.00 |
| Mar. 2 | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court                                       | 18.23    |
| 18     | Amherst Savings Bank, Wm. B.<br>Owen lot in Mt. Hope cemetery              | 50.00    |
| Apr. 1 | D. H. Tilson, services in Dist. Court                                      | 11.55    |
| 20     | Bureau of statistics, cert. note                                           | 2.00     |
| May 4  | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court                                       | 38.21    |
| 19     | State Treasurer, acct. liquor license                                      | 387.75   |
| June 3 | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court                                       | 39.50    |
| 3      | M. S. Barton "    "                                                        | 5.11     |
| 3      | Bureau of statistics, cert. note                                           | 2.00     |
| 8      | Note at Amherst bank due June 5                                            | 4,000.00 |
| 24     | Amherst Savings Bank, care of<br>Edmund Willis lot in Mt. Hope<br>cemetery | 50.00    |
| July 5 | Bureau of statistics, cert. note                                           | 2.00     |
| Aug. 3 | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court                                       | 68.29    |
| 3      | Bureau of statistics, cert. note                                           | 2.00     |
| 5      | Note, Amherst bank, due July 21st                                          | 3,000.00 |



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| Aug. 5  | Cash paid Amherst Savings Bank, care of<br>Mary Wiley Hyde lot in Mt.<br>Hope cemetery | \$ 50.00     |
| Sept. 1 | M. S. Barton, services in Dist. Court                                                  | 10.10        |
| 2       | J. A. Peeso, " "                                                                       | 23.76        |
| 29      | Edwin H. Banister, county tax                                                          | 2,163.73     |
| Oct. 4  | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court                                                   | 43.63        |
| 19      | Bureau of statistics, cert. note                                                       | 2.00         |
| Nov. 5  | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court                                                   | 90.42        |
| 8       | Town of Enfield acct. of school<br>Supt.                                               | 350.00       |
| 15      | State Treasurer, state tax                                                             | 2,437.50     |
| 15      | " abolition grade<br>crossing loan                                                     | 575.50       |
| 15      | State Treasurer, interest on grade<br>crossing loan                                    | 49.56        |
| 15      | State Treasurer, repairs of state<br>highway                                           | 131.99       |
| 16      | Note at Amherst bank due Nov.<br>20th                                                  | 3,000.00     |
| Dec. 2  | Bureau of statistics, cert. note<br>due June 4, 1916                                   | 2.00         |
| 6       | Bureau of statistics cert. note due<br>June 8, 1916                                    | 2.00         |
| 29      | Bureau of statistics, cert. note due<br>June 30, 1916                                  | 2.00         |
| 31      | J. A. Peeso, services in Dist. Court                                                   | 36.64        |
| 31      | M. S. Barton " "                                                                       | .63          |
| 1916    |                                                                                        |              |
| Jan. 1  | Clapp Memorial Library                                                                 | 171.80       |
| 1       | 841 town orders delivered select-<br>men                                               | 29,566.78    |
|         | Cash on hand                                                                           | 4,407.52     |
|         |                                                                                        | <hr/>        |
|         |                                                                                        | \$ 54,616.26 |

A. BRIDGMAN, *Treasurer*

Audited, Jan. 13, 1916.

G. F. Lincoln, Auditor

# Report of Supt. of Streets

*For the year ending Dec. 31, 1915*

## GENERAL REPAIRS

|                                        |    |             |
|----------------------------------------|----|-------------|
| Appropriation                          |    | \$ 3,000.00 |
| Paid E. F. Shumway, labor, men & teams | \$ | 338.93      |
| Harry Bishop,                          | "  | 8.75        |
| Victor Bowler,                         | "  | 30.63       |
| Raymond Howard,                        | "  | 3.50        |
| G. E. Claflin,                         | "  | 23.86       |
| M. Bangs,                              | "  | 5.30        |
| F. L. Nooney,                          | "  | 10.50       |
| M. A. Thayer, gravel                   |    | 2.40        |
| Eugene Dick, labor                     |    | 21.01       |
| Henry Baggs,                           | "  | 5.25        |
| A. Mitchell,                           | "  | 5.25        |
| Geo. Oliver,                           | "  | .87         |
| John Brown,                            | "  | 21.89       |
| Joseph Gardner,                        | "  | 114.75      |
| Peter Garvey,                          | "  | 5.00        |
| Dwight Jepson,                         | "  | .75         |
| John Garvey,                           | "  | 7.20        |
| A. L. Bishop,                          | "  | 1.00        |
| H. R. Gould,                           | "  | 18.25       |
| John Wood,                             | "  | 31.78       |

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|---------------------|----------------|---------|
| Paid Edward Parent, | labor          | \$ 1.75 |
| C. L. Loveland,     | "              | .40     |
| Warren Wright,      | "              | 6.13    |
| C. F. Austin,       | "              | 7.85    |
| L. A. Cook,         | "              | 26.25   |
| J. N. Armitage,     | "              | .88     |
| C. M. Rhodes,       | "              | 13.45   |
| W. A. Sauer,        | "              | 53.63   |
| R. N. Baggs,        | and plank      | 72.06   |
| B. F. Hubbard,      | "              | 100.03  |
| J. J. Archambault,  | "              | 1.31    |
| Daniel Coleman,     | "              | .25     |
| J. F. Moriarty,     | "              | 73.78   |
| H. H. Witt,         | "              | 49.90   |
| Thomas Bowler,      | men & teams    | 602.50  |
| Leon Lasson,        | "              | 26.26   |
| W. M. Bardwell,     | "              | 3.00    |
| A. L. Kimball,      | "              | 235.62  |
| C. Jenson,          | "              | 27.00   |
| C. A. Marsh,        | on snow        | 9.00    |
| F. E. Peeso,        | " "            | 2.50    |
| W. E. Mansfield,    | " "            | 5.00    |
| A. E. Dodge,        | " "            | 1.75    |
| H. E. Atwood,       | " "            | 1.25    |
| D. F. Shumway,      | " "            | 104.86  |
| Frank Sullivan,     | " "            | 2.64    |
| William Sullivan,   | " "            | 3.08    |
| Raymond Gray,       | labor          | 2.75    |
| Herbert Peeso,      | "              | 1.75    |
| Geo. W. Dwight,     | "              | 2.75    |
| Mrs. O. B. Davis,   | gravel         | 2.50    |
| Herbert Pervier,    | labor          | 5.75    |
| Thomas Austin,      | "              | 1.75    |
| E. F. Flaherty,     | "              | 5.25    |
| B. Duck Co.,        | flushing sewer | 4.50    |



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| Paid D. D. Hazen, tools and tile   | \$ 25.95 |
| F. D. Walker, labor                | 1.75     |
| Peter Pierce, "                    | 13.90    |
| J. A. Peeso, "                     | 105.50   |
| Clinton Hamilton, "                | 9.00     |
| B. W. George, "                    | 6.12     |
| A. E. Warner, "                    | 3.50     |
| H. F. Putnam, "                    | 49.07    |
| Bert Lovett, "                     | 4.83     |
| Alvin Lovett, "                    | 11.25    |
| D. P. Spencer, "                   | 17.00    |
| A. E. Mayo, "                      | 4.50     |
| E. E. Snow, "                      | 12.00    |
| W. S. Piper, gravel                | 25.00    |
| H. W. Conkey, bridge plank         | 2.42     |
| Alvin Cutting, labor               | 3.50     |
| G. N. Cook, "                      | 9.75     |
| John Maloney, "                    | 1.75     |
| A. S. Brown, "                     | 29.05    |
| H. Pervier, gravel                 | 3.40     |
| F. F. Randolph, labor              | 5.25     |
| L. L. Dudley, gravel               | 2.40     |
| Henry McKillop, labor              | 22.00    |
| John Stadler, "                    | 29.25    |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., tools and tile | 14.40    |
| Emory Munsell, labor               | 6.13     |
| Walter Morse, "                    | 3.50     |
| William Johnson, "                 | 3.50     |
| L. A. Shumway, "                   | 10.13    |
| R. G. Shaw, "                      | 26.26    |
| Frank Wilson, "                    | 49.26    |
| George W. Akers, "                 | 136.35   |
| E. L. Blackmer, "                  | 3.64     |
| Geo. Clifford, "                   | 5.25     |
| James W. Thayer, "                 | .50      |

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| Paid Martin Crow,                        | labor | \$ 11.88    |
| C. I. Shaw,                              | "     | 5.25        |
| George Robinson,                         | "     | 5.25        |
| C. A. Mayo,                              | "     | 10.26       |
| Arnold Rowe,                             | "     | 23.63       |
| J. J. Garvey,                            | "     | 35.00       |
| Thomas Cody,                             | "     | 7.33        |
| Rufus Pierce,                            | "     | 1.75        |
| P. J. Landers,                           | "     | 10.80       |
| H. M. Jepson, blasting                   |       | 1.00        |
| T. D. Potter, tile                       |       | 63.36       |
| Joseph Flaherty, labor                   |       | 1.75        |
| E. E. Gay,                               | "     | 66.37       |
| J. H. Hurlburt,                          | "     | 108.18      |
| Howard H. Moore,                         | "     | 10.50       |
| H. C. Dodge,                             | "     | 4.50        |
| G. S. Warner,                            | "     | 120.75      |
| Thomas O'Connor,                         | "     | 3.50        |
| John Norwood,                            | "     | 1.25        |
| Phinian Vance,                           | "     | 5.25        |
| J. W. Merrill,                           | "     | 41.25       |
| H. M. Lampson, men and teams             |       | 86.46       |
| James Moriarty,                          |       | 18.51       |
| Thomas Sullivan,                         |       | 2.50        |
| We have expended for general repairs,    | ————  | \$ 3,419.44 |
| We have used in excess of appropriation, |       | \$ 419.44   |

#### REPORT ON PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS AT SOUTH BELCHERTOWN

|                  |       |           |
|------------------|-------|-----------|
| Appropriation    |       | \$ 500.00 |
| Paid R. G. Shaw, | labor | \$ 5.25   |
| John Wood,       | "     | 5.25      |
| Henry Talmage,   | "     | 3.50      |
| John Lobeda,     | "     | 8.75      |

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|-------------------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Paid James Fenton,                  | labor            | \$ 22.50  |
| Jerry Cavanaugh,                    | "                | 22.50     |
| David Belisle,                      | "                | 8.75      |
| E. F. Lemon,                        | "                | 10.50     |
| Thomas O'Connor,                    | "                | 10.50     |
| Frank Mills,                        | "                | 8.75      |
| Patrick Cavanaugh,                  | "                | 10.50     |
| James McLean,                       | "                | 24.75     |
| E. E. Gay,                          | "                | 27.00     |
| John Ahearn,                        | "                | 13.13     |
| W. H. Bolter,                       | gravel and labor | 45.95     |
| Thomas Bowler,                      | labor            | 79.50     |
| R. M. Baggs,                        | "                | 17.50     |
| W. E. Eaton,                        | "                | 5.25      |
| B. F. Hubbard,                      | "                | 17.50     |
| Patrick Kennedy,                    | "                | 17.50     |
| J. W. Hurlburt,                     | "                | 31.50     |
| E. F. Shumway,                      | men and teams    | 66.45     |
| Expended for permanent improvements | ————             | \$ 462.78 |
| Unexpended balance                  |                  | \$ 37.22  |

E. F. SHUMWAY, *Supt. of Streets*

Audited, Jan. 14, 1916.

G. F. Lincoln, Auditor



## Selectmen's Report

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### STREET LIGHTS

|                    |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Appropriation      | \$ 1,200.00       |
| Unexpended balance | 437.66            |
|                    | <hr/> \$ 1,637.66 |

|                                      |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Central Mass. Electric Co., February | \$ 320.84         |
| “ “ March                            | 91.26             |
| “ “ April                            | 99.12             |
| “ “ May                              | 99.12             |
| “ “ June                             | 99.12             |
| “ “ July                             | 99.12             |
| “ “ August                           | 198.34            |
| “ “ September                        | 99.12             |
| “ “ October                          | 99.12             |
| “ “ November                         | 99.12             |
| Total expenditure                    | <hr/> \$ 1,304.28 |
| Unexpended balance                   | \$ 333.38         |

### MOTH WORK

|                         |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Appropriation           | \$ 100.00       |
| Unexpended balance      | 47.95           |
|                         | <hr/> \$ 147.95 |
| E. C. Howard, moth work | \$ 63.00        |
| “ “ “                   | 87.25           |
| “ “ “                   | 34.75           |

|                            |          |           |
|----------------------------|----------|-----------|
| E. C. Howard, moth work    | \$ 56.00 |           |
| “ “ “                      | 26.20    |           |
|                            | <hr/>    | \$ 267.20 |
| In excess of appropriation |          | \$ 119.25 |

## SPRAYING

|                                 |           |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation                   | \$ 150.00 |           |
| Unexpended balance              | 78.93     |           |
|                                 | <hr/>     | \$ 245.96 |
| J. A. Peeso, spraying and stock | \$ 125.00 |           |
|                                 | <hr/>     | \$ 125.00 |
| Unexpended balance              |           | \$ 120.96 |

## STATE AID

|           |            |             |
|-----------|------------|-------------|
| State aid | \$1,951.00 |             |
|           | <hr/>      | \$ 1,951.00 |

## MEMORIAL DAY

|              |          |          |
|--------------|----------|----------|
| Memorial Day | \$ 50.00 |          |
|              | <hr/>    | \$ 50.00 |

## SETTEES FOR TOWN HALL

|                                    |           |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation                      | \$ 120.00 |           |
| Nichols and Stone, settes for hall | 120.00    |           |
| Freight on settees                 | 7.80      |           |
|                                    | <hr/>     | \$ 127.80 |

## CEMETERY ACCOUNT

|                           |           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation             | \$ 100.00 |           |
| Unexpended balance        | 26.00     |           |
| Interest on cemetery fund | 194.25    |           |
|                           | <hr/>     | \$ 320.25 |
| M. S. Barton, labor       | \$ 5.00   |           |
| F. L. Nooney, “           | 25.00     |           |
| “ “                       | 50.00     |           |
| M. S. Barton, “ Lake Vale | 5.00      |           |

|                                    |          |           |
|------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| G. W. Howe, cleaning stones        | \$ 11.00 |           |
| F. L. Nooney, labor at Mt. Hope    | 20.00    |           |
| C. I. Shaw, painting fences        | 13.84    |           |
| G. W. Howe, labor                  | 11.75    |           |
| F. L. Nooney, " at Mt. Hope        | 25.00    |           |
| W. H. Bolter, " South End cemetery | 5.00     |           |
| F. L. Nooney, "                    | 105.97   |           |
| D. B. Coleman, " Holyoke cemetery  | 5.00     |           |
| A. K. Paine, "                     | 4.00     |           |
|                                    | <hr/>    |           |
| Total expenditures                 |          | \$ 286.56 |
| Unexpended balance                 |          | \$ 33.69  |

## DISCOUNT ON NOTES

|                                |           |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation                  | \$ 450.00 |           |
|                                | <hr/>     | \$ 450.00 |
| A. Bridgman, discount on notes |           | \$ 766.87 |
| In excess of appropriation     |           | \$ 316.87 |

## TOWN ACCOUNT

|                                                 |         |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Dr. J. L. Collard, return of births             | \$ 1.75 |
| F. D. Walker, services as auditor               | 15.00   |
| Dr. H. W. Eliot, return of births               | .50     |
| James A. Peeso, removing rubbish                | 2.86    |
| F. W. Fellows, repair P. J. Lander's harness    | 4.50    |
| G. H. B. Green, services as moderator           | 5.00    |
| " " treasurer's bond                            | 20.00   |
| H. F. Curtis, stove irons                       | 1.00    |
| Alfred Sparrell, labor on well                  | 6.00    |
| Howard Spencer, "                               | 8.00    |
| Margaret Moriarty, typewriting                  | 5.00    |
| Lewis H. Blackmer, printing town reports        | 86.00   |
| E. F. Flaherty, repairs on P. J. Lander's wagon | 1.25    |
| J. J. Garvey, expense to highway hearing        | 6.00    |
| E. F. Shumway, auto to Springfield              | 5.00    |
| Baggs Garage, " "                               | 10.00   |
| W. F. Shaw, moving settees                      | .50     |



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|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|
| C. I. Shaw, fighting fire                           | \$ 2.00 |
| Phinian Vance,     "                                | 1.50    |
| A. L. Bishop,     "                                 | 2.00    |
| Harry Bishop,     "                                 | 2.00    |
| Fred Damon,     "                                   | 1.50    |
| Carl Kimball, auto for assessors                    | 6.00    |
| Frank W. Raine, cutting brush                       | 150.00  |
| W. F. Shaw, damage to horse                         | 10.00   |
| A. Bridgman, for burial expense                     | 50.00   |
| D. D. Hazen, expense in water case                  | 35.51   |
| F. M. Fuller, auto services in insane cases         | 12.00   |
| F. F. Dewey, printing signs                         | 3.75    |
| Am. Ex. Co., express on weights and measures        | 1.16    |
| D. D. Hazen, auto to Springfield                    | 5.00    |
| "          paper for town house                     | .60     |
| Am. Ex. Co., express on weights and measures        | 1.20    |
| E. A. Fuller, supplies for town house               | 1.60    |
| H. E. Atwood, cleaning closets                      | .75     |
| J. A. Peeso, janitor at town hall                   | 2.00    |
| Smith's Agr. School, tuition for Alva Prouty        | 20.00   |
| A. Bridgman, supplies for town hall                 | 1.19    |
| "          banquet to Springfield                   | 34.00   |
| W. F. Bardwell, auto to     "                       | 8.00    |
| G. F. Lincoln, preparing statistics                 | 20.00   |
| Wm. Orlando, labor on park                          | 6.00    |
| John Lee, auto spring for M. C. Baggs               | 6.00    |
| J. H. Schoonmaker, services in water case           | 50.00   |
| W. M. Kimball, repairs on sidewalk                  | .50     |
| D. F. Austin, labor and supplies                    | 43.20   |
| E. A. Fuller, paint                                 | 2.60    |
| Carter Ink Co., ink                                 | .75     |
| H. E. Atwood, setting glass                         | .50     |
| A. W. Brownell, printing moth notices               | 1.95    |
| Marion Bridgman, postage and directing moth notices | 8.00    |
| Edward Coomes, painting hearse                      | 11.25   |
| C. Jensen, damage to horse on highway               | 15.00   |

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|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|
| George F. Lincoln, services as auditor              | \$ 6.00 |
| Baggs' Garage, auto to Springfield                  | 10.00   |
| E. F. Flaherty, posting warrant                     | 1.75    |
| Wm. Bardwell                                        | 2.50    |
| Springfield Republican, advertising                 | .25     |
| C. I. Shaw, labor in town hall                      | 4.00    |
| H. E. Atwood, " "                                   | 4.25    |
| M. S. Barton, services as constable                 | 8.00    |
| D. D. Hazen, extra premium on bond                  | .50     |
| Charles H. Chase, assessors' transfers              | 13.35   |
| D. F. Shumway, posting warrant                      | 12.00   |
| Walter Morse, stationery and stamps                 | 25.00   |
| Town of Ashfield, tuition of Alfred Hussey          | 28.00   |
| Badger Fire Ex. Co., supplies for engine house      | 3.00    |
| E. A. Fuller, tile                                  | 9.71    |
| N. W. Farrar, supplies                              | 6.35    |
| Dr. H. C. Giroux, return of births                  | .50     |
| Estate of George S. Warner, stationery and postage  | 15.00   |
| Roy G. Shaw, return of deaths                       | 4.75    |
| A. Bridgman, recording births, deaths and marriages | 29.30   |
| M. F. Sullivan, return of deaths                    | 1.25    |
| J. A. Peeso, attendance and investigation at fires  | 23.00   |
| D. D. Hazen, tools and acid for engine house        | 17.20   |
| " insurance                                         | 87.04   |
| Frank Fellows, oil for engine house                 | 2.42    |
| G. B. Jackson, care of town clock                   | 48.00   |
| F. F. Dewey, repairs on town house                  | 8.75    |
| T. B. Garvey, wood for town hall                    | 31.50   |
| Louis Shumway, " "                                  | 3.00    |
| F. F. Dewey, janitor for " "                        | 41.00   |
| H. E. Atwood, " "                                   | 47.15   |
| H. D. Hoag Jr., labor " "                           | 8.25    |
| Mass. Elec. Co., lights for " "                     | 27.45   |
| New Eng. Tel. Co., telephone for town hall          | 40.87   |
| Mass. Elec. Co., lights for engine house            | 8.35    |

|                                               |        |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------|
| L. W. Dillon, rent of G. A. R. hall           | \$ 0   |
| J. H. Schoonmaker, legal advice               | 31.50  |
| J. A. Peeso, forest fires                     | 465.00 |
| A. Bridgman, car fare and postage             | 24.38  |
| J. A. Peeso, serving notices and warrants     | 11.50  |
| L. H. Blackmer, books and supplies            | 29.00  |
| L. E. Gurley, supplies for sealer             | 19.59  |
| A. W. Brownell, legal blanks                  | .50    |
| Hobbs and Warren, "                           | 3.80   |
| P. B. Murphey, dog license blanks             | 2.25   |
| F. E. Burnett, sealer of weights and measures | 62.30  |
| E. F. Flaherty, inspector of cattle and barns | 150.00 |
| F. E. Burnett, meat inspector                 | 210.60 |
| Dr. F. M. Austin, "                           | 48.50  |
| J. F. Moriarty, "                             | 166.50 |
| M. F. Austin, "                               | 24.50  |
| Henry A. Paine, "                             | 25.90  |
| E. F. Shumway, services as selectman          | 150.00 |
| J. J. Garvey, " "                             | 100.00 |
| George S. Warner, " "                         | 50.00  |
| Arthur Bridgman, " treasurer                  | 100.00 |
| " " town clerk                                | 50.00  |
| Frank E. Austin, " assessor                   | 132.55 |
| James A. Peeso, " "                           | 130.00 |
| Michael P. Bowler, " "                        | 120.00 |
| Walter D. E. Morse, " tax collector           | 75.00  |
| Andrew Sears, " school committee              | 50.00  |
| Roswell Allen, " "                            | 35.00  |
| J. A. Peeso, " fire warden                    | 35.00  |
| " " at engine house                           | 40.00  |
| A. Bridgman, " as registrar                   | 27.12  |
| D. K. Shumway, " "                            | 19.10  |
| H. H. Ward, " "                               | 25.30  |
| F. F. Dewey, " "                              | 16.80  |
| F. E. Austin, " election officer              | 4.50   |



|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| John Kennedy, services as election officer | \$ 1.50     |
| Roy Baggs, " "                             | 1.50        |
| Chester Canterbury, " "                    | 1.50        |
| C. R. Aldrich, " "                         | 1.50        |
| W. A. Kimball, " "                         | 1.50        |
| A. R. Lewis, " "                           | 7.50        |
| Roy G. Shaw, " "                           | 1.50        |
| J. A. Peeso, " "                           | 1.50        |
| Charles Austin, " "                        | 1.50        |
| F. M. Fuller, " "                          | 2.30        |
| Thomas O'Connor, " "                       | 1.50        |
| F. D. Walker, " "                          | 3.00        |
| Andrew Sears, " "                          | 3.00        |
| H. F. Shaw, " "                            | 3.00        |
|                                            | <hr/>       |
|                                            | \$ 3,848.67 |

Of these accounts there are resources as follows:

|                                      |             |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriations for town expenses     | \$ 2,500.00 |
| " " street lights                    | 1,200.00    |
| Unexpended balance                   | 437.66      |
| Appropriation for moth work          | 100.00      |
| Unexpended balance                   | 47.95       |
| Appropriation for cemetery expenses  | 100.00      |
| Unexpended balance                   | 26.00       |
| Interest on cemetery fund            | 194.25      |
| Appropriation for discount on notes  | 450.00      |
| " " spraying                         | 150.00      |
| Unexpended balance                   | 78.93       |
| Appropriation for support of schools | 6,500.00    |
| Unexpended balance                   | 508.78      |
| Appropriation for paupers in and out | 1,500.00    |
| " " highways and bridges             | 3,500.00    |
| " " state highway                    | 1,000.00    |
| " " road scraper                     | 225.00      |
| " " settees for town hall            | 120.00      |

|                                             |              |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Appropriation for G. A. R. Memorial Day     | \$ 50.00     |
| “ “ repairs on school houses                | 300.00       |
| “ “ grade crossing at Barrett's Junction    | 575.00       |
| Received for state aid                      | 1,932.00     |
| “ income from town farm                     | 1,622.21     |
| “ for transportation of pauper              | 2.52         |
| “ from Mass. school fund                    | 1,328.83     |
| “ for forest fires                          | 36.00        |
| “ from dept. of animals                     | 75.00        |
| “ from state for school superintendent      | 900.00       |
| “ for corporation tax                       | 49.04        |
| “ “ “ business tax                          | 61.85        |
| “ “ national bank tax                       | 328.35       |
| “ “ burial of pauper                        | 15.00        |
| “ “ indigent soldiers                       | 50.00        |
| “ “ tuition of children                     | 381.00       |
| “ from town of Leominster                   | 103.71       |
| “ “ Mrs. Ellen Bridgman for street light    | 10.00        |
| “ “ B. & M. R. R. for fires                 | 42.25        |
| “ “ liquor licenses                         | 1,163.25     |
| “ “ district court                          | 64.22        |
| “ “ town of Enfield for tuition of scholars | 131.25       |
| “ “ John Wood for cemetery lot              | 25.00        |
| “ for rent of town hall                     | 160.50       |
| “ “ peddler and butcher licenses            | 29.00        |
| Resources overdrawn                         | 1,492.23     |
|                                             | <hr/>        |
|                                             | \$ 29,566.78 |

#### SELECTMEN'S ORDERS FOR EXPENDITURES IN THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Town accounts             | \$ 1,967.70 |
| Salaries of town officers | 1,880.97    |
| Street lights             | 1,304.28    |
| Moth work                 | 267.20      |

|                                 |                   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Cemetery work                   | \$ 286.56         |
| Discount on notes               | 766.87            |
| Spraying                        | 125.00            |
| Support of schools              | 11,197.94         |
| Pauper in                       | 2,197.29          |
| Pauper out                      | 1,404.70          |
| State aid                       | 1,951.00          |
| Highways and bridges            | 3,882.22          |
| State highway                   | 1,909.79          |
| Road scraper, parts and freight | 247.46            |
| Settees and freight             | 127.80            |
| G. A. R. Memorial Day           | 50.00             |
|                                 | <hr/> \$29,566.78 |

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|----------------|---|------------------------------------------|
| E. F. SHUMWAY, | } | <i>Selectmen<br/>of<br/>Belchertown.</i> |
| J. J. GARVEY,  |   |                                          |

Audited, Jan. 22, 1916.

G. F. Lincoln, Auditor



## State Road Report

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|                          |             |  |
|--------------------------|-------------|--|
| Appropriation from state | \$ 1,000.00 |  |
| “ “ town                 | 1,000.00    |  |
|                          | \$ 2,000.00 |  |

|                    |       |       |
|--------------------|-------|-------|
| Paid B. F. Hubbard | labor | 70.62 |
| W. E. Eaton        | “     | 22.38 |
| Martin Crowe       | “     | 32.00 |
| F. D. Walker       | “     | 6.50  |
| Dudley Walker      | “     | 6.50  |
| R. Orlando         | “     | 67.00 |
| John Brown         | “     | 63.50 |
| Leon Voise         | “     | 60.50 |
| Frank Lemon        | “     | 47.00 |
| Albert Slater      | “     | 60.50 |
| E. L. Blackmer     | “     | 35.88 |
| L. A. Cook         | “     | 2.00  |
| Eugene Dick        | “     | 10.00 |
| H. A. Dennett      | “     | 36.50 |
| F. E. Peeso        | “     | 32.37 |
| James Thayer       | “     | 15.75 |
| George Claflin     | “     | 40.12 |
| Peter Klaperwiski  | “     | 36.62 |
| Fred Thompson      | “     | 10.00 |
| D. P. Spencer      | “     | 18.00 |

|                                |           |                   |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Paid Howard Spencer            | labor     | \$ 13.50          |
| Herbert Peeso                  | "         | 16.00             |
| E. F. Shumway                  | "         | 100.26            |
| H. M. Jepson, blasting         |           | 36.07             |
| E. F. Shumway                  | team work | 132.17            |
| James A. Peeso                 | " "       | 97.02             |
| H. H. Witt                     | " "       | 25.87             |
| A. W. Stacy                    | " "       | 22.22             |
| Ramond Gray                    | " "       | 47.25             |
| D. F. Shumway                  | " "       | 89.15             |
| W. S. Piper                    | " "       | 55.40             |
| H. C. Dodge                    | " "       | 32.90             |
| M. C. Bardwell                 | " "       | 50.90             |
| Henry McKillop                 | " "       | 41.90             |
| Clinton Hamilton               | " "       | 27.00             |
| D. F. Shumway, lumber          |           | 1.68              |
| G. N. Cook                     | gravel    | 33.00             |
| Leroy Blackmer                 | "         | 18.10             |
| Mrs. O. B. Davis               | "         | 6.25              |
| E. A. Fuller & Co., cement     |           | 26.04             |
| Shumway & Riley, tile          |           | 325.07            |
| Lynch Brothers, brick          |           | 30.00             |
| F. D. Walker, brick            |           | 1.50              |
| Henry Goodbeer, boundry stones |           | 3.50              |
| B. & M. R. R., freight         |           | 3.30              |
| Total amount expended          |           | <hr/> \$ 1,909.79 |
| Unexpended balance             |           | \$ 90.21          |
| Due from state                 |           | \$ 954.90         |

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|----------------|---|------------------------------------------|
| E. F. SHUMWAY, | } | <i>Selectmen<br/>of<br/>Belchertown.</i> |
| J. J. GARVEY,  |   |                                          |

Audited, Jan. 15, 1916.

G. F. Lincoln, Auditor

# Report of the Overseers of the Poor

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## INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

|                          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Bed linen                | \$ 20.00 |
| Table linen              | 5.00     |
| Towels, etc.             | 2.00     |
| Curtains                 | 5.00     |
| Bed spreads and blankets | 15.00    |
| 5 feather beds           | 10.00    |
| 3 straw beds             | 1.50     |
| 6 mattresses             | 12.00    |
| 15 pillows               | 5.00     |
| 5 bed springs            | 10.00    |
| 20 quilts                | 20.00    |
| 1 bed room set           | 5.00     |
| 6 iron beds              | 15.00    |
| 15 bureaus               | 30.00    |
| 1 stand                  | .50      |
| 25 chairs                | 16.00    |
| 1 center table           | 2.00     |
| 1 sofa                   | 3.00     |
| 1 dining table           | 6.00     |
| Spray pump and hose      | 10.00    |
| Washing machine          | 5.00     |
| Sewing machine           | 5.00     |



|                        |         |
|------------------------|---------|
| Carpet sweeper         | \$ 2.00 |
| Oil heaters            | 5.00    |
| 2 cook stoves          | 10.00   |
| 4 stoves               | 10.00   |
| Set of dishes          | 8.00    |
| 2 invalid chairs       | 20.00   |
| Carpet                 | 12.00   |
| 2 linoleum             | 4.00    |
| Incubator              | 3.00    |
| Range                  | 35.00   |
| Pantry utensils        | 20.00   |
| 10 lamps               | 2.50    |
| Meat and provisions    | 50.00   |
| Vinegar                | 12.00   |
| Canned fruit           | 25.00   |
| Pickles                | 7.00    |
| Jelly                  | 3.00    |
| Apples                 | 6.00    |
| 65 bush. potatoes      | 60.00   |
| 23 cords of stove wood | 92.00   |
| 4 cords in yard        | 12.00   |
| Chains                 | 6.00    |
| Hoes and shovels       | 5.00    |
| 80 hens                | 50.00   |
| Double sled            | 30.00   |
| Single sled            | 7.00    |
| Express sleigh         | 15.00   |
| Two horse wagon        | 100.00  |
| Express wagon          | 15.00   |
| Buggy                  | 65.00   |
| Dump cart              | 35.00   |
| Manure spreader        | 65.00   |
| 1 pr. double harnesses | 25.00   |
| Farm harness           | 10.00   |
| 2 buggy harnesses      | 18.00   |

|                       |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Mowing machine        | \$ 8.00 |
| Horse rake            | 18.00   |
| Tedder                | 5.00    |
| 5 plows               | 15.00   |
| Lantern, brooms, etc. | 5.00    |
| Wheel harrow          | 20.00   |
| Spring tooth harrow   | 7.00    |
| Smoothing “           | 5.00    |
| 2 cultivators         | 5.00    |
| Corn sheller          | 3.00    |
| Express pole          | 1.00    |
| Saws and axes         | 3.00    |
| Feed cutter           | 5.00    |
| Creamery and cans     | 25.00   |
| Grind stone           | 2.00    |
| Paris green gun       | 1.50    |
| Measures and pails    | 1.50    |
| Lawn mower            | 2.00    |
| Stone boat            | 2.00    |
| Ice tongs             | 2.00    |
| Cant hooks            | 1.00    |
| Fanning mill          | 2.00    |
| 35 tons of silage     | 105.00  |
| Step ladder           | 1.50    |
| Corn planter          | 20.00   |
| 2 ladders             | 3.50    |
| Blankets and robes    | 25.00   |
| Cow number 1          | 60.00   |
| “ “ 2                 | 70.00   |
| “ “ 3                 | 50.00   |
| “ “ 4                 | 65.00   |
| “ “ 5                 | 65.00   |
| “ “ 6                 | 80.00   |
| “ “ 7                 | 45.00   |
| “ “ 8                 | 100.00  |

|                         |    |                        |
|-------------------------|----|------------------------|
| Cow number              | 9  | \$ 70.00               |
| " "                     | 10 | 80.00                  |
| " "                     | 11 | 80.00                  |
| " "                     | 12 | 45.00                  |
| 2 two-year olds         |    | 50.00                  |
| 1 bull                  |    | 20.00                  |
| 4 calves                |    | 40.00                  |
| 2 shoates               |    | 12.00                  |
| 3 horses                |    | 450.00                 |
| 23 tons hay             |    | 506.00                 |
| 4 tons rowen            |    | 88.00                  |
| 6 tons meadow hay       |    | 50.00                  |
| 115 bush. corn          |    | 45.00                  |
| 1100 of grain           |    | 15.40                  |
| 2½ bush. beans          |    | 10.00                  |
| 500 of fertilizer       |    | 8.50                   |
| Total                   |    | ————— \$ 3,446.40      |
| Increase in valuation   |    | \$ 135.90              |
| Audited, Jan. 14, 1916. |    | G. F. Lincoln, Auditor |

## WARDEN'S REPORT TO OVERSEERS OF POOR

*Income of Town Farm from Jan. 1, 1915 to Dec. 31, 1915*

|                  |             |
|------------------|-------------|
| Rec'd for milk   | \$ 1,129.61 |
| calves           | 41.00       |
| cow              | 60.00       |
| wood             | 3.00        |
| eggs             | 75.69       |
| use of telephone | .90         |
| " hearse         | 2.00        |
| lumber           | 1.65        |
| rye straw        | 6.00        |
| apples           | 4.50        |
| fowls            | 18.08       |



|                                             |                   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Rec'd for labor with team for J. Merrill to |                   |
| pay for sawing wood                         | \$ 15.00          |
| rags                                        | 2.35              |
| kidney beans                                | .80               |
| pork, D. D. Hazen                           | 38.30             |
| labor with team                             | 53.88             |
| potatoes                                    | 28.50             |
| hay                                         | 140.95            |
|                                             | <hr/> \$ 1,622.21 |

*Cash paid out by Warden*

|                                         |          |
|-----------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid for fish and oysters               | \$ 15.97 |
| for barbering                           | 8.80     |
| John Merrill sawing wood                | 15.00    |
| for cow                                 | 50.00    |
| for repairs on inmates' boots and shoes | .90      |
| for 2 settings of eggs                  | .70      |
| for shingle                             | 1.92     |
| James Mansfield, stock service          | 4.50     |
| for pineapples                          | .50      |
| Dr. Austin, fixing horse's teeth        | 2.00     |
| E. R. Peeso, seed corn                  | 1.00     |
| Jas. Mansfield, "                       | .25      |
| A. F. Larose, milk bills                | .10      |
| H. W. Conkey, making cider              | 2.00     |
| W. A. Sauer, planting potatoes          | 4.00     |
| G. Allsworth, horse blankets            | 2.75     |
| for apple trees                         | 8.00     |
| for strawberries                        | .90      |
| Chas. Morse, bakery                     | .35      |
| A. Phillips, groceries                  | 8.77     |
| for peaches                             | .75      |
| for berries                             | 1.00     |
| Mrs. Ida King, tobacco                  | .80      |
| for 2 bu. onions                        | 2.00     |

|                                         |             |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------|
| Paid E. C. Witt, lime                   | \$ 3.50     |
| "          fertilizer                   | 8.25        |
| John Wood, meat for hens                | 1.00        |
| J. W. Jackson, rooster                  | 2.00        |
| R. Weston, labor, haying & filling silo | 30.10       |
| F. Nooney,       "                      | 4.00        |
| Polish man,     "                       | 7.00        |
| A. Slater,       labor on silo          | 2.00        |
| Mr. Martin,     "       "               | 2.00        |
| H. M. Lamson,   "       "               | 6.00        |
| G. Allsworth,   "                       | 1.75        |
| G. Clough, filling silo                 | 3.00        |
| "       hoeing                          | 1.75        |
| L. Cook, labor on silo                  | 3.00        |
| F. Damon,       "                       | 4.00        |
| E. Parent, hoeing                       | 5.00        |
| H. Pierce, labor on silo                | 3.00        |
| L. Orlouski,     "                      | 4.00        |
| L. Nutting, dehorning cows              | 1.50        |
|                                         | <hr/>       |
|                                         | \$ 225.81   |
| Cash paid treasurer                     | 1,396.40    |
|                                         | <hr/>       |
|                                         | \$ 1,622.21 |

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Number of tramps lodged and fed | 6  |
| "       inmates during year     | 9  |
| "       permanent inmates       | 3  |
| "       hearse calls            | 25 |

#### PAUPER IN ACCOUNT

|                                             |           |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|
| R. E. Fairchild, grain                      | \$ 573.26 |
| D. D. Hazen, provisions                     | 267.40    |
| W. D. Dunbar, ice                           | 12.86     |
| E. F. Flaherty, horse shoeing and repairing | 25.70     |
| A. M. Baggs, seed potatoes                  | 45.00     |
| Hicks Brothers, one horse                   | 225.00    |

|                                      |             |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| W. A. Sauer, cutting corn            | \$ 18.00    |
| "          fertilizer                | 18.50       |
| E. F. Shumway, " "                   | 36.00       |
| Wm. Orlando, " "                     | 27.77       |
| J. J. Garvey, tobacco                | 4.60        |
| N. W. Farrar, medicine               | .50         |
| E. A. Fuller, grain                  | 371.45      |
| H. A. Hopkins, supplies              | 23.35       |
| J. W. Jackson, " "                   | 43.80       |
| F. W. Fellows, " "                   | 9.70        |
| R. E. Fairchild, " "                 | 74.19       |
| E. A. Fuller, " "                    | 217.14      |
| E. C. Howard, plants                 | 2.15        |
| D. F. Austin, plumbing               | 3.75        |
| N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone     | 9.58        |
| Louis A. Shumway, services as warden | 487.49      |
|                                      | <hr/>       |
|                                      | \$ 2,197.29 |
| Paid out by warden                   | 225.81      |
|                                      | <hr/>       |
| Total expense of Pauper In           | \$ 2,423.10 |
| Total income from Town Farm          | \$ 1,622.21 |
| Increase in valuation                | 135.90      |
|                                      | <hr/>       |
|                                      | \$ 1,758.11 |
|                                      | <hr/>       |
| Actual expense of Pauper In          | \$ 664.99   |

#### PAUPERS OUTSIDE OF ALMSHOUSE

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Town aid of state charge              | \$ 52.00 |
| Hampshire Sanatorium, aid town charge | 108.00   |
| City of Holyoke, " " charges          | 308.00   |
| Town of Hampden, " " "                | 168.24   |
| "    Amherst, " " "                   | 15.00    |
| "    Ware, " " "                      | 1.43     |
| City of Springfield, " " "            | 71.76    |
| "    North Adams, " " "               | 6.00     |
| "    Northampton, " " "               | 12.00    |
| Town of Monson, " " "                 | 30.36    |



|                                                 |                    |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Dr. J. L. Collard, medical aid                  | \$ 115.00          |
| H. A. Hopkins, clothing for town charge         | 1.00               |
| Mrs. Elsie Gollenbusch, board town charge       | 45.00              |
| M. R. Sullivan, supplies for                    | 10.50              |
| Agnes C. Hinkley, board of                      | 18.00              |
| Mrs. W. D. Randolph, board                      | 44.36              |
| E. H. Hubbard, care of                          | 12.50              |
| Thomas Landers, supplies for                    | 18.00              |
| E. A. Fuller,                                   | 2.67               |
| E. E. Fiske,                                    | 4.20               |
| Town of Belchertown, aid for town of Leominster | 93.14              |
| Dr. C. B. King, medical aid town charge         | 43.50              |
| Dr. H. W. Eliot,                                | 4.50               |
| E. E. Gay, wood for                             | 4.00               |
| Town of Belchertown, aid                        | 104.00             |
| Dr. W. B. Segur, medical aid                    | 2.50               |
| Mercy Hospital,                                 | 12.15              |
| D. D. Hazen, supplies                           | 5.89               |
| W. F. Shaw, auto                                | 2.00               |
| Town of Belchertown,                            | 15.00              |
| Roy G. Shaw, burial                             | 15.00              |
| Joseph Belanger, burial                         | 10.00              |
| R. G. Shaw,                                     | 19.00              |
| F. L. Nooney, digging grave,                    | 5.00               |
| R. G. Shaw,                                     | 10.00              |
| “ burial of town charge                         | 15.00              |
| Total expense of paupers outside almshouse      | <u>\$ 1,404.70</u> |
| Total pauper expense                            | \$ 2,069.69        |
| Due from state hospital                         | \$ 60.00           |
| “ “ “ charge                                    | 52.00              |
| “ “ “ for burial state charge                   | 15.00              |
| “ “ town of Leominster                          | 42.29              |
| Total resources                                 | <u>\$ 169.29</u>   |
| Total expense of Paupers In and Out             | \$ 1,900.40        |

|                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Appropriation              | \$ 1,500.00      |
| In excess of appropriation | <u>\$ 400.40</u> |

|                |   |                                   |
|----------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| E. F. SHUMWAY, | } | <i>Overseers<br/>of<br/>Poor.</i> |
| J. J. GARVEY,  |   |                                   |

Audited, Jan. 19, 1916.

G. F. Lincoln, Auditor

## Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

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|                                             |           |                                                                        |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sealing 7 platform scales over 5,000 lbs.   | @ \$ 1.00 | \$ 7.00                                                                |
| 1 tagged                                    |           | .03                                                                    |
| Sealing 33 platform scales under 5,000 lbs. | @ .50     | 16.50                                                                  |
| “ 5 computing “                             | @ .50     | 2.50                                                                   |
| 1 computing scale condemned                 |           | .03                                                                    |
| Sealing 6 beam and steelyards               | @ .03     | .18                                                                    |
| “ 19 counter scales                         | @ .03     | .57                                                                    |
| “ 30 spring “                               | @ .03     | .90                                                                    |
| “ prescription “                            |           | .03                                                                    |
| “ 234 avoirdupois weights                   | @ .03     | 7.02                                                                   |
| “ 12 apothecary scales                      | “         | .36                                                                    |
| “ 1 dry measure                             | @ .06     | .06                                                                    |
| “ 47 liquid measures                        | @ .03     | 1.41                                                                   |
| 4 liquid measures condemned                 | “         | .12                                                                    |
| Sealing 2 butter prints                     | “         | .06                                                                    |
| “ 2 barrel guages                           | “         | .06                                                                    |
| “ 1 gasoline pump                           | “         | .03                                                                    |
| “ 3 molasses pumps                          | “         | .09                                                                    |
| “ 2 oil pumps                               | “         | .06                                                                    |
| “ 15 linear measures                        | “         | .45                                                                    |
| Adjusting scales                            |           | .24                                                                    |
| Total fees paid town treasurer              |           | <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$ 37.70 |



In closing I will say that the merchants of Belchertown have done exceedingly well in keeping their measures and scales up to the standard.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED E. BURNETT, *Sealer*

Audited, Jan. 21, 1916.

G. F. Lincoln, Auditor

## Tree Warden's Report

|                                                             |           |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation                                               | \$ 150.00 |           |
| Balance Jan. 1915                                           | 78.93     |           |
|                                                             | <hr/>     | \$ 228.93 |
| Paid for spraying and removing trees,<br>labor and supplies |           | 125.00    |
|                                                             |           | <hr/>     |
| Unexpended balance                                          |           | \$ 103.93 |

J. A. PEESO, *Tree Warden*

## Report of the Local Moth Supt.

|                                         |          |           |
|-----------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Unexpended balance on hand Jan. 1, 1915 | \$ 47.95 |           |
| Appropriation, 1915                     | 100.00   |           |
|                                         | <hr/>    | \$ 147.95 |
| Labor of supt., men and team, 1915      |          | \$ 265.20 |
| Exceeded the balance and appropriation  |          | \$ 119.25 |

EVERETT C. HOWARD, *Local Moth Supt.*

## Forest Warden's Report

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|                                                                      |           |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| There have been 22 forest fires at a cost of                         | \$ 465.00 |
| There is due from the C. V. and B. & M. R. R.                        | 159.20    |
| I have received as Forest Warden for the issuing<br>of permits, etc. | 35.00     |
| For labor at fires with men and teams                                | 25.00     |
| Paid H. H. Ward, deputy                                              | 53.96     |
| W. H. Belding,     "                                                 | 28.00     |
| C. R. Green,     "                                                   | 30.22     |
| Wm. Colgrove,    "                                                   | 12.00     |

### WARDEN'S REPORT FOR CUTTING BRUSH FROM UNEMPLOYED FUND

|                             |           |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation from the town | \$ 150.00 |           |
| From the state              | 150.00    |           |
|                             | <hr/>     | \$ 300.00 |
| Paid Alvin Bush             | \$ 22.00  |           |
| Nelson Graney               | 12.80     |           |
| Alvin Lovett                | 20.00     |           |
| Almon Lovett                | 20.80     |           |
| Eugene Dick                 | 36.80     |           |
| Alvin Cutting               | 17.60     |           |
| Marshall Martin             | 27.20     |           |
| George Claflin              | 11.20     |           |

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Paid John Petroski          | \$ 12.80  |
| Albert Corey                | 7.20      |
| Frank Eskett                | 1.60      |
| Alfred Sparrell             | 1.75      |
| Arnold Rowe                 | 1.75      |
| Arthur Aldrich              | 2.50      |
| J. A. Peeso                 | 22.00     |
|                             | <hr/>     |
|                             | \$ 218.00 |
| Unexpended balance          | \$ 82.00  |
| Due the town from the state | \$ 41.00  |

J. A. PEESO, *Forest Warden*

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## Report of Fire Department

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There have been ten calls answered for fire in chimneys and buildings; for this I have received \$ 23.00  
 For the care and keeping fires from Jan. 1 1915, to Jan. 1 1916, and charging extinguishers \$ 40.00  
 The loss to property is \$ 1,000.00

J. A. PEESO, *Chief of Fire Department*



## Report on Funds

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### MRS. SUSAN M. D. BRIDGMAN FUND

|                               |           |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1915 | \$ 243.05 |           |
| Received Apr. 1               | 70.00     |           |
| "    July 1                   | 70.00     |           |
| "    Oct. 1                   | 70.00     |           |
| "    Jan. 1                   | 70.00     |           |
|                               | <hr/>     | \$ 523.05 |
| 64 orders drawn               |           | 387.00    |
|                               |           | <hr/>     |
| Balance Jan. 1, 1916          |           | \$ 136.05 |

### WHITING STREET FUND

|                        |           |           |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Balance Dec. 31, 1915  | \$ 181.51 |           |
| Received Sept. 1, 1915 | 270.00    |           |
|                        | <hr/>     | \$ 451.51 |
| 53 orders drawn        |           | \$ 340.93 |
|                        |           | <hr/>     |
| Balance Jan. 1916      |           | \$ 110.58 |

|                                                                         |   |                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| E. F. SHUMWAY,<br>J. J. GARVEY,<br>MRS. M. G. WARD,<br>MRS. G. L. WITT, | } | <i>Almoners</i> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|-----------------|

Audited Jan. 22, 1916.

G. F. Lincoln, Auditor

## Report of Committee on Appropriations

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The committee on appropriations recommend the following amounts to be raised for the different departments:

|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Schools                        | \$ 7,000.00 |
| Highways                       | 3,000.00    |
| Street lights                  | 1,300.00    |
| Town accounts                  | 3,000.00    |
| Suppression of brown tail moth | 250.00      |
| Spraying of trees              | 175.00      |
| Discount on town notes         | 700.00      |
| Cemetery account               | 150.00      |
| For pauper expenses            | 1,500.00    |
| Repairs on school houses       | 200.00      |

We recommend an appropriation of \$ 1,000.00 to be applied in connection with the state, in building a state road from Amherst to Belchertown.

We would also recommend that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 2,000.00 to apply on the payment of one of the notes against the town in the Amherst bank.

|                |   |                                            |
|----------------|---|--------------------------------------------|
| M. S. BARTON,  | } | <i>Committee<br/>on<br/>Appropriations</i> |
| GUY C. ALLEN,  |   |                                            |
| MYRON G. WARD, |   |                                            |

## Cemetery Account

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### REPORT OF FUNDED LOTS IN MT. HOPE

|                                                                        | Amount of fund | Cost of care |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| S. M. Longley, mowing, taking<br>up and laying turf, erecting<br>stone | \$ 200.00      | \$ 7.00      |
| Mrs. H. S. Bridgman,        "                                          | 100.00         | 4.00         |
| S. D. Goddard,               "                                         | 200.00         | 7.00         |
| Jirene Chandler,           "                                           | 100.00         | 3.00         |
| E. Longley,                 "                                          | 100.00         | 3.00         |
| Lyman Sabin,               "                                           | 100.00         | 3.00         |
| Olive M. Adams,           "                                            | 50.00          | 2.00         |
| Mariah H. Moody,          "                                            | 100.00         | 3.00         |
| O. J. Heath,                "                                          | 100.00         | 4.00         |
| Nancy Graves,             "                                            | 100.00         | 4.00         |
| Harriet M. Taylor,        "                                            | 63.80          | 2.50         |
| Oren Walker,               "                                           | 50.00          | 2.00         |
| C. D. Williams,           "                                            | 50.00          | 2.00         |
| Jason Shumway,           "                                             | 100.00         | 4.00         |
| Luther Shaw,               "                                           | 50.00          | 2.00         |
| Daniel Marsh,              "                                           | 50.00          | 2.00         |
| Lyman Rice,                "                                           | 100.00         | 4.00         |
| Kirk J. Thurston,         "                                            | 200.00         | 7.00         |
| Otis Wiley,                 "                                          | 50.00          | 2.00         |



|                         |              |          |         |
|-------------------------|--------------|----------|---------|
| Emmeline Hunt,          | care of lot, | \$ 50.00 | \$ 2.00 |
| Mrs. Harriet Longley,   | " 3 lots     | 500.00   | 15.00   |
| N. A. Carr,             | "            | 50.00    | 2.00    |
| L. M. Gray,             | "            | 50.00    | 2.00    |
| D. P. Clapp,            | " 3 lots     | 400.00   | 15.00   |
| Mrs. S. M. D. Bridgman, | "            | 200.00   |         |

## LAKE VALE

|                        |              |           |         |
|------------------------|--------------|-----------|---------|
| Willard A. Stebbins,   | care of lot, | \$ 100.00 |         |
| Israel Towne,          | "            | 200.00    | \$ 7.00 |
| D. V. Fuller,          | "            | 100.00    | 3.50    |
| Chas. Dickinson,       | "            | 50.00     | 2.00    |
| Harriet E. Eaton,      | "            | 192.75    | 6.00    |
| Loman A. Burnett,      | "            | 100.00    | 3.00    |
| Sarah L. Shattuck,     | "            | 50.00     | 2.00    |
| Harrison & Elihu Root, | "            | 75.00     | 3.00    |
| Lydia Arnold,          | "            | 50.00     |         |
| Emmeline P. Hawks,     | "            | 50.00     | 2.00    |
| Enoch Burnett,         | "            | 50.00     | 2.00    |
| Laura Sabin,           | "            | 50.00     | 1.00    |
| Chas. Dwight,          | "            | 50.00     | 2.00    |

## MILL VALLEY

|                    |             |           |         |
|--------------------|-------------|-----------|---------|
| E. B. Hitchcock,   | care of lot | \$ 100.00 |         |
| Lydia E. Stebbins, | "           | 50.00     | \$ 2.00 |
| Josiah Cowles,     | "           | 50.00     | 2.00    |
| Ichabod Sanford,   | "           | 50.00     | 2.00    |
| Philo Willis,      | "           | 50.00     | 2.00    |
| Chas. Pratt,       | "           | 100.00    |         |
| P. T. Slauter,     | "           | 50.00     | 2.00    |
| William B. Owen,   | "           | 50.00     | 1.00    |
| Edmund Willis,     | "           | 50.00     | 1.00    |
| Mary Hyde,         | "           | 50.00     | 1.00    |

|                |             |           |
|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| Amount of fund | \$ 4,831.57 | \$ 150.00 |
|----------------|-------------|-----------|

|                                                    |          |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid G. W. Howe for cleaning stones on funded lots | \$ 22.75 |
| Clarence Shaw for painting fence on funded lot     | 13.84    |

# GENERAL WORK IN MT. HOPE AND OTHER YARDS

|                                                                 |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| E. A. Fuller for paint for fence                                | \$ 9.10 |
| A. L. Slater for painting fence                                 | 7.25    |
| “ for work in yard                                              | 6.25    |
| George Claflin “                                                | 9.27    |
| Fred Allen “                                                    | 3.50    |
| C. Taylor “                                                     | .50     |
| F. L. Nooney for work in Mt. Hope                               | 20.00   |
| “ “ mowing Mill Valley and Blue<br>Meadow                       | 11.00   |
| F. L. Nooney for mowing Lake Vale, Dwight<br>Station, West Hill | 14.00   |
| F. L. Nooney for fixing fence in Lake Vale                      | 5.00    |

## ROY G. SHAW'S ACCOUNT

|                                                   |           |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Mowing Holyoke, Tylerville and Liberty cemeteries | \$ 14.00  |
| Total expenditures                                | \$ 286.56 |

The tomb at the South Cemetery is in need of extensive repairs, probably to the amount of \$ 50.00. Included with this amount we would recommend an appropriation of \$ 150.00.

|               |   |                                             |
|---------------|---|---------------------------------------------|
| M. S. BARTON, | } | <i>Burial<br/>Ground<br/>Commissioners.</i> |
| F. L. NOONEY, |   |                                             |
| R. G. SHAW,   |   |                                             |

## Auditor's Report

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### RESOURCES

|                               |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| In treasurer's hands          | \$ 4,407.52       |
| In collector's hands          | 7,749.65          |
| Due from town of Leominster   | 42.29             |
| "    Mass. Highway Commission | 954.90            |
| "    W. S. Piper              | 22.74             |
| "    miscellaneous bills      | 169.29            |
| "    the state                | 1,154.38          |
| "    state hospital           | 60.00             |
|                               | <hr/> \$14,560.77 |

Of the \$22.74 charged to W. S. Piper, \$3.85 was in his hands at the close of his term of office as supt. of highways. (See his annual report.) \$18.89 is the amount of a mistake in his favor in same report. The treasurer informs me that this money has never been returned to the treasury.

### LIABILITIES

|                                          |              |
|------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Note at Amherst Bank, due April 20, 1916 | \$ 4,000.00  |
| "    "    "    "    June 4, 1916         | 5,000.00     |
| "    "    "    "    "    8, 1916         | 5,000.00     |
| "    "    "    "    "    30, 1916        | 3,000.00     |
|                                          | <hr/>        |
|                                          | \$ 17,000.00 |
| Deficiency                               | \$ 2,440.77  |

*CORRECTION—The note due June 8 is found to be for \$3,000 instead of for \$5,000. This makes a deficiency of only \$440.77*



As liabilities have been incurred beyond appropriations in some departments of our town affairs, I desire to call the attention of the voters to Chap. 719, Sect. 16, Acts of 1913, which reads as follows: "No department of any city or town shall incur liability in excess of the appropriation made for the use of such department, except in cases of *extreme* emergency involving the health or safety of persons or property, and then only by a vote in cities of two-thirds of the members of the city council, and in a commission form of government by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the commission, and in a town by a vote of two-thirds of the selectmen."

G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor*

# Annual Report

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION, MARCH, 1915—1916

### School Committee

|                |                           |
|----------------|---------------------------|
| ROSWELL ALLEN, | Term expires, March, 1916 |
| M. C. BAGGS,   | “ “ 1916                  |
| ANDREW SAYERS, | “ “ 1917                  |

### Superintendent

|                 |                             |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| ALVAN R. LEWIS, | Term expires, Sept. 1, 1918 |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|

### Attendance Officer

D. F. SHUMWAY

### School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D.

# School Calendar

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## HIGH SCHOOL

The high school will open August 28, 1916 and will close December 22, 1916 for a recess of one week. It will reopen Jan. 1, 1917, and continue until June 22, 1917 with one week's intermission at the expiration of every eight weeks.

## GRAMMAR AND GRADED SCHOOLS

Spring term will begin Apr. 10, 1916.

“ “ “ close June 23, “

Fall term will begin Sept. 11, “

“ “ close Dec. 22, “

Winter term will begin Jan. 1, 1917.

“ “ “ close Mar. 9, 1917.



## Teachers, January 1, 1916

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|                 |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| High School,    | Thomas Allen       |
| “               | Gertrude Callender |
| “               | Marguerite Lord    |
| Center Gram.,   | Lena Ripley        |
| “ Int.,         | Mae Fenton         |
| “ Prim.,        | Marie West         |
| Cold Spring,    | Bridget Fitzgerald |
| Franklin Gram., | Nellie Shea        |
| “ Int.,         | Sadie Demarest     |
| “ Prim.,        | Nellie Sullivan    |
| Liberty,        | Lulu Austin        |
| Washington,     | Katherine Moriarty |
| Lake Vale,      | Libbie Gutberlett  |
| Federal,        | Ella Moriarty      |
| Union,          | Edith Towne        |
| Blue Meadow,    | Florence Rhodes    |
| Rock Rimmon,    | Florence Baggs     |
| West Hill,      | Celia Blackmer     |
| Music,          | Florence Babb      |

# Report of Supt. of Schools

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*To the School Committee of Belchertown,*

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit for your consideration my eighth annual report, which is the twelfth annual report of the superintendent of schools.

## ATTENDANCE

The average membership of our schools for the year ending June 30, 1915 was twenty-six larger than the year before. The per cent of attendance was 93, two per cent larger than the previous year. The number of cases of tardiness was much larger than was necessary. If a few of the parents would take enough interest in our schools to insist upon their children being in school on time, the number of cases of tardiness would be greatly reduced.

## TEACHERS

In September Miss Marguerite Lord succeeded Miss Grace Anderson who resigned, as teacher of Chemistry and English. Miss Lulu Austin was placed in charge of Liberty, Miss Lily Barber having resigned to accept a position in Thompsonville, Conn. at a larger salary than we were able to pay. Miss Mabel Bowler resigned as teacher of Blue Meadow to accept a position

in Ludlow at a much larger salary than we were paying. Miss Celia Blackmer was elected teacher of West Hill in place of Mr. Harold Bailey, resigned. Mr. Roland Shaw who had been a successful teacher in our schools for about five years resigned as teacher in Washington to go into business. Miss Katherine Moriarty, teacher in Chestnut Hill was transferred to Washington, and Chestnut Hill school was closed on account of the small number of pupils, and the pupils were conveyed to the center schools.

Whether or not Belchertown shall train teachers for the benefit of the surrounding towns is a question that would be well for the town to consider.

### REPAIRS

The amount annually raised for repairs is not sufficient. We have a large number of old single room buildings, some of which are not in use, which often need repairing. It is economy to keep our school buildings in good condition. Unless this is done these old buildings will soon be unfit for use.

A new floor has been laid in the Washington building; the old desks have been replaced with good second hand ones; new windows have been put in; and the walls and ceiling have been tinted. Good second hand desks have been placed in the Liberty building, also two new windows.

The West Hill building needs painting and many repairs, and the Blue Meadow, Federal and Washington buildings need painting.

### SCHOOLS

We are endeavoring to give to our children a practical education. Industrial education, whether the child receives it at home or in school is of great value. Although all our pupils are not receiving the same amount of training along this line, some of the teachers and pupils are doing commendable work. An exhibition of industrial work was given by some of our schools at the fair in September. That shown by the Frank-



lin and Federal schools was remarkably good and received well deserved premiums. One boy, Harold Booth, in the Washington district, received \$ 17.50 in premiums at the Palmer and Belchertown fairs for vegetables raised by himself.

It would be well if a regular course in industrial training could be given to all our pupils.

Education should be practical. It is a waste of time to teach children anything that they will never use. Education should develop the whole child mentally, morally and physically. It should enable him to observe accurately and to express his thoughts clearly in oral and written English, and to use his hands in the application of his knowledge in some practical work, and it should include the formation of character. Our children should be taught in school and at home to be pure, honest, respectful, industrious, punctual, and to have reverence for all that is sacred.

The teacher, in order to do her best work, should not only be qualified to teach the subjects in her grades, but she should carefully prepare for each daily recitation. Her deportment in school and out of school should be an example worthy of emulation by her pupils.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAN R. LEWIS

Jan. 1, 1916

## Report of High School Principal

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*Superintendent A. R. Lewis,*

Dear Sir:-

In our endeavor to maintain a higher standard of work than in the past two years we have the hearty approval and coöperation of all who have the best interest of the pupils at heart, especially the parents. We believe that relying upon our guidance, they support us in our efforts to make their children better able to take the places that later they must occupy, to render them the more efficient because of our united aims, and to prove them not unworthy descendants of worthy homes. This calls for more work, more application, more study on the part of all, pupils especially. True, teachers may not neglect their duties of preparation for the day's work and then expect the pupil to reap the full benefit of the recitation period. Failure properly to prepare on part of the teacher is to deprive the pupil, to rob him of part or all the fruits of his labor, for he has merely passed along what he has prepared but has received no further information, no enlargement of his horizon, no broadening of his vision, no deepening of his intellect and no incentive to greater and better work for the next day. The teacher has no small part in the day's success.

For the pupil to fail to make due preparation on his part that he may benefit to the maximum by the class-room instruction certainly is to be much regretted. This lack is fatal to advancement. While it may be that there is no case that is chronic, the disposition to indulge the tendency for a short period or at periodic intervals does not produce desired results. Perhaps he thinks that merely to pass is all that is necessary. Marks are not much by themselves, however, getting good marks favors the deduction that such a pupil has a much larger store of information about the subject than his classmate whose marks are considerably lower.

Especially do we recommend a period of time each evening for home study, say an hour or more wherein there may be close, diligent application to study without any interruption. To think that most pupils do study faithfully each evening is gratifying. Would that all did so.

With four periods of recitation in school, at the most there can be less than two hours for study, a far too short time to prepare the daily tasks. Those who think to make ample preparation within this limited period, who do no home studying, need not be surprised if they fail to measure up to the present-day requirements of good scholarship. Encourage your boy, your girl to study evenings.

Sorrowfully we record the loss of one who has recently entered a higher school, whose Teacher has infinite wisdom. All with whom she was associated in school recognized her good ability, her happy and cheerful disposition and faithful adherence to duty. Hers was "The youthful freshness of a blameless heart".

With due appreciation of the kindly spirit of the school towards us in our shortcomings, commending the work of my associates, I respectfully submit the above.

THOMAS ALLEN



## Report of the Supervisor of Music

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The work in public school music has been continued with these three main objects in view—first, to improve the pupil's ability to read at sight; second, to give him a working knowledge of the rudiments of music; third, to teach him to interpret songs intelligently.

Sight reading and a study of music fundamentals aid the pupil to acquire a sense of form. "There can be no freedom in art until the form is mastered." As fast as the reading ability improves, the standard of art advances. Sight reading is the foundation of all our work in music, and is carried out by means of the individual slip singing, exercises from the book and from the board, and in songs. The use of syllables is a very valuable drill in correlation with sight reading.

Through interpretation we may learn to distinguish between mediocre and good music, while a sense of beauty of form and tone is developed. By means of interpretation, and a use of good material, an effort is being made to develop a love for the best in music.

Written work includes the theoretical examinations, copying exercises, slips and songs, writing the major scales, and supplementary work as outlined in the Music Writing Book. The mark for the pupil's report card is obtained from the result of the examinations, slip singing and song work. Often-

times those who are deficient in pitch or boys in the adolescent period do the best in theoretical work. The teachers mark the scholars for they are a witness to their daily work, and the supervisor comes only once a week. In the High school, the supervisor has entire charge and marks the student, as there is only one music period required a week.

The tone quality is much better. At first it was a harsh, nasal and rasping tone with a tendency to flat; now it seems subdued and more pleasing to the ear. Quality is more essential than quantity; a song rendered in a monotonous tone is not as desirable as the one with expression.

In many ways the supervisor by her personal contact with the children can aid and influence them and supplement the teacher's effort. Her chief work, however, is the planning of the most logical course for pupils to follow, the giving of needed suggestions and criticisms—in general the bringing of help to meet the many and varied needs of different schools.

The booklet entitled, "The One Hundred and One Best Songs," published by the Cable Co., Chicago, has been introduced into the Grammar school and the High school. This collection contains hymns, college, patriotic and folk songs, familiar old tunes and secular ones. Songs are selected from different sources to illustrate a particular principle or in regard to some particular event or time of the year.

This fall, the committee decided to allow the Franklin school a music lesson by the supervisor once in two weeks and work was commenced the first week in November. The children have good voices, are bright and eager to learn, and especially interested in the Thanksgiving and Christmas music. For the Christmas program a costume cantata was given; both teachers and scholars worked hard. The teachers have a manual with an outline of the work, and during the next term theoretical examinations will be given and music reading taught, because the children cannot read music are, not familiar with the syllables or the rudiments of music.

Music in the High school is chiefly unison singing, with a theoretical examination in the fall term. This winter term an examination will be given about the orchestra and famous singers of to-day, while the spring term will be devoted to the preparation of the graduation program. The result of the last examination was very gratifying, there being seventeen over ninety. In the unison singing the boys are doing much better.

The hearty coöperation of the teachers, the superintendent and the committee has made my work very pleasant and is in a large measure responsible for the progress made during the past year, for which I am very grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE M. BABB, *Supervisor of Music*

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#### REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Belchertown, Jan. 1, 1916.

*To the School Committee:*

I have received during the year from the school committee, teachers and superintendent, 15 summonses to absentees from school. To all of these I have given prompt attention and have seen that they have attended school.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Attendance Officer*



## SCHOOL RESOURCES

|                              |             |             |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Appropriation Feb. 1, 1915   | \$ 6,500.00 |             |
| From state school fund       | 1,328.83    |             |
| Superintendency fund         | 900.00      |             |
| From the Bridgman fund       | 262.70      |             |
| "    Longley fund for music  | 156.58      |             |
| Interest due on Longley fund | 80.80       |             |
| State wards' tuition         | 381.00      |             |
| Enfield pupils' tuition      | 131.25      |             |
| Overdrawn                    | 930.17      |             |
|                              | <hr/>       | \$10,671.33 |
| School expenditures          |             | \$10,671.33 |

\*AMOUNT OF ORDERS ISSUED BY SCHOOL  
COMMITTEE

|                               |             |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Teachers' wages from treasury | \$ 7,195.05 |             |
| "    "    Bridgman fund       | 262.70      |             |
| "    "    Longley fund        |             |             |
| for music                     | 133.50      |             |
| School supervision            | 1,080.00    |             |
| Books and supplies            | 294.17      |             |
| Fuel                          | 618.64      |             |
| Janitors and supplies         | 383.67      |             |
| Transportation                | 777.75      |             |
| Miscellaneous                 | 155.72      |             |
|                               | <hr/>       | \$10,901.20 |

\*This includes outstanding orders to the amount of \$227.87

## REPAIRS

|                            |           |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation Feb. 1, 1915 | \$ 300.00 |           |
| Overdrawn                  | 226.61    |           |
|                            | <hr/>     | \$ 526.61 |
| Paid for repairs           |           | \$ 526.61 |

### APPROPRIATION RECOMMENDED

For support of schools, including salaries of teachers, transportation, fuel, books and supplies, janitors' incidentals, salary of school committee, superintendent, truant officers, and school physician

\$ 7,000.00

For repairs

500.00

————— \$ 7,500.00

ROSWELL ALLEN  
ANDREW SAYERS  
MILTON C. BAGGS

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*School  
Committee*

### SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

|                                |     |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| Whole number                   | 468 |
| *Number enrolled               | 417 |
| Average membership             | 391 |
| Average attendance             | 362 |
| Number below 5 years           | 0   |
| Number between 5 and 7 years   | 64  |
| Number between 7 and 14 years  | 269 |
| Number between 14 and 16 years | 56  |
| Number above 16 years          | 28  |
| Per cent of attendance         | 93  |

\*This number does not include those pupils who have attended other schools in the town or state during the year.

# Graduating Exercises

OF THE

## Belchertown High School

June 23

1915

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

8 P. M.

### Class Horn

Dear classmates, together we've climbed,  
Cheered onward by teachers and friends.  
Though rugged the path, the fruits we shall find  
Our work will repay in the end.

"Out of school life" with hearts full of joy,  
"Into life's school" with pleasure we'll pass.  
The part we shall do our pleasure'll alloy  
With memories of days as a class.

Farewell to our school; farewell to our friends,  
Who have lightened our pathway with love.  
Though to-day we must part, yet our prayers will ascend  
That our school be united above.

*Elizabeth C. Fitzgerald*



## Program

Invocation

Praise Ye the Father

CHORUS

Salutatory Essay Common Birds; Their Value

FLORENCE A. RHODES

Class Prophecy

CELIA I. BLACKMER

Go to Sleep my Dusky Baby

GIRLS' CHORUS

Class History

ELIZABETH C. FITZGERALD

Class Will

CELIA I. BLACKMER

Essay Valedictory The Horizon

BERNADETTE M. SHEA

Song of Spring

CHORUS

Address

GEORGE A. ANDREWS, D. D.

June Song

GIRLS' CHORUS

Presentation of Diplomas

Clang of the Forge

CHORUS

Benediction

## Class Motto

"Out of school life  
Into life's school."

## Class Flower

Forget-me-not

## Class Colors

Blue and White

## Graduates

CELIA IOLA BLACKMER

ELIZABETH CECELIA FITZGERALD

FLORENCE ALBERTA RHODES

BERNADETTE MARIE SHEA

## Officers

ELIZABETH C. FITZGERALD, *President*

FLORENCE A. RHODES, *Vice-president*

CELIA I. BLACKMER, *Treasurer*

BERNADETTE M. SHEA, *Secretary*

*Gounod*

*Dvorak*

*Pearson*

*Bucalossi*

*Rodney*

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE,  
For school year ending June 30, 1915.

| SCHOOLS                  | Whole Number. | No. enrolled. | No. between 5 and 7. | No. over 16. | No. between 14 and 16. | No. between 7 and 14. | Av. Membership. | Av. Attendance. |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| High. . . . .            | 50            | 50            | 0                    | 22           | 24                     | 4                     | 47              | 43              |
| Center Grammar. . . .    | 39            | 36            | 0                    | 4            | 5                      | 27                    | 35              | 32              |
| Center Intermediate. . . | 38            | 36            | 0                    | 1            | 3                      | 32                    | 35              | 32              |
| Center Primary . . . .   | 50            | 48            | 14                   | 0            | 2                      | 32                    | 41              | 39              |
| Cold Spring. . . . .     | 19            | 14            | 2                    | 0            | 1                      | 11                    | 12              | 10              |
| Franklin Grammar. . .    | 29            | 27            | 0                    | 0            | 6                      | 21                    | 28              | 27              |
| Franklin Intermediate. . | 34            | 29            | 0                    | 0            | 1                      | 28                    | 28              | 27              |
| Franklin Primary . . .   | 37            | 34            | 19                   | 0            | 0                      | 15                    | 33              | 31              |
| Liberty. . . . .         | 36            | 31            | 3                    | 1            | 3                      | 24                    | 29              | 27              |
| Washington. . . . .      | 28            | 25            | 4                    | 0            | 1                      | 20                    | 25              | 24              |
| Rock Rimmon. . . . .     | 11            | 11            | 4                    | 0            | 0                      | 7                     | 8               | 7               |
| Chestnut Hill . . . . .  | 9             | 8             | 0                    | 0            | 0                      | 8                     | 8               | 7               |
| Holyoke. . . . .         |               |               |                      |              |                        |                       |                 |                 |
| Federal . . . . .        | 19            | 14            | 3                    | 0            | 8                      | 9                     | 12              | 11              |
| Lake Vale. . . . .       | 19            | 17            | 3                    | 0            | 3                      | 11                    | 16              | 15              |
| Union. . . . .           | 25            | 19            | 5                    | 0            | 4                      | 10                    | 17              | 15              |
| West Hill. . . . .       | 10            | 4             | 1                    | 0            | 0                      | 3                     | 8               | 7               |
| East Hill. . . . .       |               |               |                      |              |                        |                       |                 |                 |
| Laurel. . . . .          |               |               |                      |              |                        |                       |                 |                 |
| Blue Meadow . . . . .    | 15            | 14            | 6                    | 0            | 1                      | 7                     | 9               | 8               |
|                          | 468           | 417           | 64                   | 28           | 56                     | 269                   | 391             | 362             |

## Roll of Honor

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### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE ONE YEAR

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Dorothy Peeso       | John Dusha      |
| Stella Cook         | Maurice Landers |
| William Chamberlain | Anthony Murray  |
| Alice Flaherty      | Anna Flaherty   |
| Mary Ann Sullivan   | Darca Dodge     |
| Edward Kroll        | Isabel Farley   |
| Tony LeBida         | Mary Shumway    |
| John Flaherty       |                 |

### PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE TWO TERMS

|                   |                     |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| Isabel Bardwell   | Lizzie Gula         |
| Emma Stadler      | Howard McLean       |
| Anna Sullivan     | Katie Kroll         |
| Laura Terwilliger | Bronka Dabek        |
| William Gilbert   | Julius Patruski     |
| Edward Sargent    | James McLean        |
| Edward Snyder     | Nellie Cavanaugh    |
| Timothy Maloney   | Mary Gondek         |
| George Ardill     | Elizabeth Cavanaugh |
| Helen Rys         | Donald Eaton        |
| Bernard Keyes     | Alfreda Hubbard     |
| Catherine Connor  | Mary Cavanaugh      |
| James Sullivan    | Sophie Gondek       |



Milton George  
 Henry Rys  
 Nora Sullivan  
 Michael Keyes  
 Polly LeBida  
 Joseph Syper  
 James Keyes

Katherine Cavanaugh  
 Malcolm Eaton  
 Leona Farley  
 Lillian Farley  
 Willie Smith  
 Annie Pranaitis

PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE ONE TERM

Bernadette Shea  
 Alice Austin  
 Rose Marsh  
 Catherine Austin  
 Louise Davis  
 Susie Squires  
 Alvin Michel  
 Bertha Cook  
 Doris Chase  
 Gladys Terwilliger  
 Martha Weston  
 Stanley Wajtaszyk  
 Lillie Eskett  
 William Kimball  
 Belding Jackson  
 Wilfred Noel  
 Peter Wludyka  
 Francis Allen  
 Howard Chase  
 Raymond Brooks  
 Martha Knight  
 George Dewey  
 Mabel Chase  
 Bertha Weston  
 Mary Wajtaszyk  
 Marjory Peeso  
 Thomas Austin

Cora Boduck  
 Karol Dudek  
 Staffie Klous  
 John Kroll  
 Joseph Kulic  
 Julius Patruski  
 Michael Shaurenski  
 Irene Sullivan  
 Mary C. Sullivan  
 Stanley Meshauski  
 Anna Krul  
 Edward Kulic  
 Rose Donohue  
 Bronka Duscha  
 Antonina Kroll  
 Andrew Kulic  
 Charles Moquin  
 Veronica Patruski  
 Amelia Smith  
 Cassie Sullivan  
 Lucy Sufuaski  
 Madij Gula  
 Irene McLean  
 John Begas  
 Joseph Cavanaugh  
 Alice Allen  
 Viola Hubbard

Clayton George  
 Irene Hanifin  
 Helen Beduch  
 Mildred Sullivan  
 Patrick Landers  
 John Sullivan  
 Bridget Smith  
 Jennie Wludyka  
 Beatrice Dulude  
 Henry Bears  
 Agnes Hanifin  
 John Connor  
 Mary Cross  
 Michael Landers  
 Jerry Sullivan  
 Nattie Smith  
 Cora Krolls  
 Mary Krul  
 Anna Kennedy  
 John Dudek  
 Katie Straycharz  
 Mary Duscha  
 Blanche Allen

Avis Hussey  
 Emma Dodge  
 William Sullivan  
 John Sullivan  
 Walter Welch  
 Marion Randolph  
 Stephen Socka  
 Jerry Cavanaugh  
 Alloizy Gondek  
 Garfield Hubbard  
 Fred Crane  
 Fannie Pierce  
 Arthur Farley  
 Salvadore LaRassa  
 Herbert Randolph  
 Orin Bracey  
 Freddie Holcomb  
 Rachel Randall  
 Edgar Shumway  
 Etta Marsh  
 Alice Randall  
 Merton Shumway  
 Eleanor Fitzgerald

# Report of Committee on Water Supply

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## SUMMARY

Your committee on Water Supply herewith submits, in addition to reports and detailed accounts of its doings and investigations, the following summary of its activities, from the date of the election of the Committee, Jan. 8, 1915, to the present time, Feb. 7, 1916.

Your committee consisting of F. M. Fuller, D. D. Hazen, E. F. Shumway, J. A. Peeso and A. F. Bardwell, were duly elected in pursuance with the following motion or vote which was passed and recorded, viz:—

VOTED: That a committee of five be chosen by nomination to act relative to procuring a water supply, estimates of the cost of establishing and installing same, making recommendations and report to the town at its regular meeting in February, and that the committee is authorized and empowered to procure at the earliest possible date a special act of the Legislature authorizing the town to supply its inhabitants with water, and to take any action incident thereto, and that the committee be reimbursed for the actual cash expended in the discharge of the duties, but their services to be rendered gratuitously.

Your Committee fully realizing the nature and the importance of the business placed in its hands, organized at once,



electing F. M. Fuller chairman, and D. D. Hazen clerk. Although various attempts had been made in past years to secure a town water supply, it was found that but little of permanent value had been accomplished—that no exhaustive investigations had been made, and that no records of value were available. It seemed unwise in the estimation of your committee to proceed in the matter except with the guidance of competent and expert advice. Your committee, assuming that it would be necessary to seek trained and experienced Water Engineers outside the limits of the town, decided to consult with, and benefit by the advice of, E. E. Lochridge, C. E., a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Chief Engineer of the Water Department of the city of Springfield, a well known and recognized authority in water supply engineering.

As a result of these consultations, your committee arranged to secure the services of James L. Tighe, Consulting Engineer of Holyoke, and requested him to make a full and complete examination and investigation of all the possible sources of supply available, and make recommendations as to which source would best meet the town's requirements. Mr. Tighe's researches were exhaustive, and the results and his conclusions appear in full in his report; his plans and recommendations were approved, after careful examination and consideration, by the State Department of Health. And it was agreed by all concerned that Chambly Brook and its watershed offer an exceptionally attractive source of supply for the town, meeting present needs and future requirements.

Your committee in securing the special enabling act, called for in its instructions, now identified as Chapter 287, Special Acts of 1915, were careful to have included in the act the stipulation that the act and its provisions should take effect if accepted by a majority vote of the voters voting thereon.

Under the general laws any town may install a water system and issue bonds to meet the cost of the same, provided the bond issue is authorized by a two-thirds vote. But special leg-

isolation, it was understood by your committee, would be necessary to authorize the issue of bonds by a majority vote, and for this reason a special act with a majority proviso was secured. Inasmuch as majority control is generally recognized as a fundamental principle of our form of government, and the proposed water system being subject to the unqualified approval—practically amounting to a guarantee—of the State Department of Health, it was felt by your committee that a majority of the voters should have the deciding voice in authorizing the steps necessary to secure protection of life, health and property in the town.

A vote on the proposed bond issue taken June 21, 1915, stood 72 yes, to 37 no, and your committee assumed that the measure was carried and the bond issue authorized. It was claimed, however, that a two-thirds vote would be necessary to meet the requirements of the general law; with a view to expediting matters, your committee were instrumental in having a second vote taken on the proposal to issue bonds at a special meeting held June 30th, 1915, with the expectation that a two-thirds vote would be the outcome; this vote, however, stood 150 yes to 109 no.

It was found upon inquiry that the Director of the Bureau of Statistics would withhold his approval of any issue of bonds made in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 287, Special Acts of 1915, and, although no law was cited supporting him in his position, your committee has deemed it best in conjunction with the Board of Water Commissioners, to await the passing of new legislation or the amendment of existing law, making majority control in such a vital matter as the installation of an approved water supply a reality beyond interference and question.

Your committee has conscientiously endeavored to carry out your instructions as set forth in the vote as given above; bills have been rendered for the actual cash expenditures of the several members of the committee, and for the services of

the Consulting Engineer and the Surveyor.

Your committee is fully aware that the integrity of its members, as well as the competence of the engineers and others that have been consulted in carrying out your instructions, have been questioned and impugned in town meeting and else where, but, inasmuch as the motives underlying this criticism are as evident to the citizens of the town as they are to your committee, no answer or other reply to the same is deemed either desirable or necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. FULLER, Ch'mn.

D. D. HAZEN, Clerk

E. F. SHUMWAY,

J. A. PEESO,

A. F. BARDWELL,

*Committee on Water Supply*

Belchertown, Jan. 25, 1916.



## Report of Progress

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The following report of progress as read at the annual town meeting Feb. 1, 1915 was not included in the official report of the water committee, appearing in the Belchertown Sentinel June 11, 1915.

The Committee chosen at a special town meeting January 8, 1915, consisting of F. M. Fuller, Chairman, D. D. Hazen, Clerk, E. F. Shumway, J. A. Peeso and A. F. Bardwell, was instructed to investigate the matter of securing a water supply for the town and make a report at the annual town meeting, February 1st. Owing to the limited time intervening between the two dates, your committee finds it impossible to make an exhaustive and final report at this time; it is able however, to report satisfactory progress and begs to submit the following account of its doings and things accomplished to this date, Feb. 1st.

On January 8th, your committee met and organized. After a general discussion it was voted to have a conference with Chief Engineer E. H. Lochridge, of the Springfield Water Department. Accordingly, on Jan. 9th, Messrs Hazen, Peeso and Bardwell of the committee visited Springfield where they met Mr. Lochridge by appointment. They were assured by him that the Springfield Water Dept. fully appreciated the situation here in Belchertown, and would be disposed, he was confident, to aid and assist the town in any reasonable and proper manner within their control. As the outcome of this

conference your committee feels certain that any reasonable favor or privilege essential to the proper working out of our water supply problem that is within the control of the Springfield Water Dept., will be granted upon terms satisfactory to the town.

At this conference your committee was advised, before proceeding further, to consult a recognized water supply Engineer or expert on such questions as might arise concerning water sources, and the best methods of securing the desired results, that is, the securing an abundant supply of good water at a reasonable cost. Accordingly Mr. Bardwell of the committee had an interview with Mr. James L. Tighe, of Holyoke, Consulting Engineer, on the afternoon of the same day. Mr. Tighe is a recognized authority and expert in water supply engineering. It was found that his services could be availed of to any desired extent upon sufficient notice.

On this day your committee also had an interview with the Superintendent of the Water Works at Bondsville where water is pumped from a cluster of 15 driven wells in close proximity to the banks of the Jabish at Tylerville, through a pipe one and one quarter miles in length, to an elevation of 180 feet. 600 families are supplied at a fixed rate of \$ 12 each, yearly, for the water. From 80 to 100,000 gallons are pumped daily by an electrically driven pump. The cost per 1,000 gallons for raising the water was not learned.

On Monday, January 11th, your committee as a whole visited West Brookfield to inspect the water system recently installed there, and where the conditions met closely correspond with the requirements obtaining in Belchertown. We found a system supplying not less than 140 users with water which is first pumped into a reservoir at an elevation of 220 feet on a hillside one mile from the village. The water is pumped from a cluster of driven wells adjacent to the border of Lake Wickaboag by an electrically driven pump, at an average daily cost of 67 cents for the electricity; the daily average amount being

22,800 gallons of water which is metered to the user and sold at a rate yielding about \$ 1,800 yearly. The cost of raising 1,000 gals. of water 220 feet is 2.95 cents at West Brookfield. At the same ratio it would cost 3.62 cents to raise a similar quantity 270 feet at Belchertown.

On January 13th, in response to a request from your committee, Mr. Tighe, the Consulting Engineer, came to Belchertown and in the afternoon of that day accompanied the committee and others to Pratt's Mill on the Pelham road. The springs in the vicinity were examined with the possibility in view of utilizing their flow for a gravity supply. These sources seemed inadequate to the Engineer who was of the opinion that an auxiliary supply of filtered water from the Jabish to supplement the flow from the springs would be necessary in dry seasons. The considerable expense of building dams, stripping the reservoir site and making a connection with the Jabish was pointed out to the committee.

The party next visited the Stebbins' mill privilege near the George Witt farm on North Main Street. A careful examination of these premises was made with a view to the possibility of utilizing the privilege, which is the property of the City of Springfield, as a source of power for pumping. An island in the mill pond was inspected as a possible site for driven wells.

Mr. Tighe advised the driving of a test well on this island for the purpose of determining the quality of the underground water at this point, it being evident that if good water in sufficient quantity could be found here, and the same pumped by water power, a very economical system could be worked out, provided the city of Springfield would permit the town to improve and use the privilege for power purposes.

From the Stebbins' site the party proceeded to the location of the driven wells near the Jensen mill pond which are controlled by the Belchertown Water Company. The water taken from these wells has been approved, both as to quality and quantity, by the State Board of Health. A careful examina-



tion of the site and immediate neighborhood was made, and it was noted that the lift from this point to an elevated tank in the village would be 270 feet.

From this point the party proceeded to the Walker place where the deep well was examined and from which Mr. Tighe obtained a sample which he took away with him. Then followed a conference and discussion with Mr. Tighe after which he returned to Holyoke.

On January 14th, in view of Mr. Tighe's advice to do so, your committee decided to have a test well driven at the island in the Stebbins' mill pond.

On January 15th, Mr. Bardwell of the committee had an interview with Engineer Lochridge of the Springfield Water Dept., at his office in that city. Mr. Lochridge also advised making tests in the vicinity of the Stebbins' pond stating that if suitable water could be found there, and if the same were pumped by water power, a very economical system could be developed at that point.

On the afternoon of January 16th, a well was located at the southerly end of the island and the same was driven to a depth of 10 feet.

On January 19th, the well was driven to a depth of 25 feet and then pumped for a short time. An abundant supply of water was found. It was then decided to drive the point to a greater depth and 30 feet was reached after hard driving; the pump was then applied but no water could be raised, the point probably having been driven into clay. It seemed best to withdraw the point to the 25 foot level if possible. On this day, the 19th, Mr. Fuller and Mr. Hazen visited Boston on appointment for a conference with the engineers of the State Board of Health.

On January 20th, in pulling out the pipe it was broken off near the point and the remaining part was then withdrawn from the ground. A new well was immediately started at the northerly end of the island and readily driven to a depth of 20 feet at which point the pump was applied. An abundant flow of

water resulted—a small quantity of clean sand and gravel was also raised, indicating the nature of material into which the point was driven.

On January 21st, the well was pumped continuously for about 8 hours, and a sample taken, which was immediately shipped to the office of the Dept. of Health in Boston.

On January 25th, at a meeting of the committee it was voted to make a canvass of the village to ascertain the probable number of water users. Various other matters were also discussed but nothing definite done pending the receipt of a report from Boston concerning the sample of water sent.

On last Saturday, January 30th, the following letter, which speaks for itself, was received from the State Board of Health.

STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
OFFICE OF  
CHIEF ENGINEER

Boston, Jan. 29, 1915.

Dear Sir:—

I have just received from the laboratory the results of the chemical examination of a sample of water which, according to the certificate accompanying the same, was collected on January 21st, from a driven well 20 feet deep. Judging from this analysis it is not likely that water of suitable quality for domestic purposes can be secured from the ground in this locality, the hardness alone being nearly three times that of the water at the location last tested by the Belchertown Water Company. Should you decide to drive wells in any other location in the vicinity of Belchertown, we would be pleased to examine water obtained therefrom, if you will request us to send bottles for the collection of the same.

Yours very truly,

Rufus M. Whittet,  
Assistant Engineer.

To D. D. Hazen,  
Clerk, Belchertown Committee on Water Supply,  
Belchertown, Mass.

At a meeting of the committee Saturday afternoon it was assumed that water from the Witt island would not meet with the Board's approval, and it was thereupon decided to consult with Mr. Tighe and get his advice and opinion as to the feasibility of installing a filter bed and receiving tank at the Stebins' mill site drawing upon the Jabish brook for the water supply, in which case the filtered water would be pumped by water power. This plan, if it proves to be feasible, and if it is approved by the State Board, would be less expensive than a gravity supply, and much less expensive than a supply pumped by electricity at  $2\frac{1}{2}$  cents per k. w. hour. It may be noted that filtered Jabish water was used in Springfield for years with satisfaction, and that it now forms the exclusive supply for the town of Ludlow.

Mr. Tighe will be consulted at the earliest moment with a view to having the situation cleared up in order that your committee may proceed as expeditiously as possible with the end in view of determining the best plan or method of supplying this town with an abundance of good water at the lowest possible cost.

Upon further investigation it was found that the State Dept. of Health would not approve the proposed filter bed and receiving tank, as outlined to them, and it is now the intention of the Committee to have an examination made of all other possible sources of supply.

Belchertown, February 1, 1915.

The foregoing was read and accepted as a report of progress and the Committee was instructed to continue its investigations. The additional report of the Committee will be found in the Belchertown Sentinel, June 11, 1915.



## Report of the Water Commissioners

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The Water Commissioners submit herewith their first report.

At a special town meeting held June 21st, 1915, the town voted to accept, by a vote of 150 Yes, to 55 No, Chapter 287, of the Special Acts of 1915- "An Act to authorize the town of Belchertown to supply itself and its inhabitants with water." This act was signed by the Governor and became law, Apr. 19th, 1915. Following the acceptance of the act, and in accordance with its provisions, a Board of Water Commissioners was elected, viz:- A. F. Bardwell, to serve three years from the date of the next annual town meeting, Feb. 1st, 1916; F. M. Fuller, to serve two years, and E. F. Shumway to serve one year from the same date.

At this meeting a vote was also taken upon a proposal to bond the town for \$ 40,000 to meet the cost of installing the already approved water system; this vote stood 72 Yes, to 37 No. Inasmuch as the act and all its provisions were to take effect if accepted by a majority vote, it was supposed by your Commissioners that a majority vote would authorize the issue of the bonds necessary for the carrying out of the provisions of the act, no stipulation to the contrary being included in its terms. It was claimed by some, however, that a two-thirds vote must be secured to satisfy the requirements of the Bureau

of Statistics; in view of this contention a second special town meeting was held June 30th, 1915, and another vote taken on the proposed bond issue; this vote stood 150 Yes, to 109 No—a large majority but not a two-thirds vote.

Inquiry as to the scope of the act was thereupon made at the office of the Secretary of State, and of various state officials, bankers and others; the opinion of all was to the effect that Chapter 287, Special Acts of 1915, is a complete law in itself, clearly authorizing all the steps necessary—including the issue of bonds—to install the proposed water system.

Inquiry at the office of the Bureau of Statistics, however, disclosed that the Director of the Bureau would positively refuse to approve any issue of bonds under the provisions of Chapter 287—that no bond issue would be approved unless authorized under the provisions of the general law requiring a two-thirds vote; no law was cited, however, supporting the director in withholding approval of an issue of bonds authorized by special legislative act. The State Treasurer, and several banking institutions would have taken the bonds upon satisfactory terms, as issued under the act, had the approval of the Bureau of Statistics not been withheld.

Your Commissioners, in view of the fact that bonds issued without the approval of the director of the Bureau of Statistics would not be marketable, have not seen fit to undertake to exercise any authority vested in them by the town under the provisions of Chapter 287, Special Acts of 1915.

It is probable, however, that legislation will be passed at the present session of the General Court enabling this town to protect life, health and property, by authorizing by majority vote the installation of an approved water system.

A. F. BARDWELL,  
F. M. FULLER,  
E. F. SHUMWAY,

*Board of Water Commissioners*

Belchertown, January 28th, 1916.

## EXPENSE INCURRED BY THE COMMITTEE ON WATER SUPPLY

In pursuance with the following vote of the town passed at the special town meeting held January 8th, 1915.

VOTED: That a committee of five be chosen by nomination to act relative to procuring a water supply, estimates of the cost of establishing and installing same, making recommendations and report to the town at its regular meeting in February, and that the committee is authorized and empowered to procure at the earliest possible date a special act of the Legislature authorizing the town to supply its inhabitants with water, and to take any action incident thereto, and that the committee be reimbursed for the actual cash expended in the discharge of the duties, but their services to be rendered gratuitously.

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| James L. Tighe, to studies, plans of and report upon<br>a public Water Supply | \$ 619.16 |
| W. H. Brainard, to services as surveyor,                                      | 82.12     |
| J. H. Schoonmaker, to legal services                                          | 75.00     |
| “ to citatious advertising and<br>telephoning                                 | 23.13     |
| A. F. Bardwell, to expenses on com. on water supply                           | 27.48     |
| D. D. Hazen, “ “ “                                                            | 35.51     |
| F. M. Fuller, “ “ “                                                           | 30.00     |
| E. F. Shumway, “ “ “                                                          |           |
| J. A. Peeso, “ “ “                                                            |           |
| Lewis Blackmer, to printing water reports in Sentinel                         | 20.00     |
| A. Sparrell, to driving well                                                  | 6.00      |
| H. Spencer, “ “                                                               | 8.40      |
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| Total expense                                                                 | \$ 926.80 |
| Bills have been paid to the amount of                                         | \$ 99.90  |
| Outstanding bills Dec. 31, 1915                                               | \$ 826.90 |



# Town Warrant.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,  
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Belchertown on Monday, the seventh day of February next at 9.30 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

ART. 3. To choose the following named town officers: a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, an Auditor, five Constables and a Tax Collector, all for one year; one School Committee for three years and one for two years; one Assessor for three years; and one Burial Ground Commissioner for three years; also to vote on question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town.

ART. 4. To choose the following named town officers by nomination: One Tree Warden, Three Fence Viewers, eight Measurers of Wood, eight Surveyors of Lumber, six Field drivers, two almoners of the Whiting Street Fund, and Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Fund, all for one year, and one trustee for the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

ART. 5. To raise money for the support of schools, to include the cost of fuel, school books, other supplies, transportation, also salaries of Teachers, School Committee, Superintendent, Truant Officers, Janitors and incidentals.

ART. 6. To raise money for the repair of schoolhouses and act thereon.

ART. 7. To raise money to defray pauper expenses and act thereon.

ART. 8. To raise money to defray town expenses and act thereon.

ART. 9. To raise money to repair highways and bridges and to take such action as the town shall deem best.

ART. 10. To see if the town will vote to pay for the bond of the treasurer.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to pay for the bonds, stationery and postage of Tax Collector in addition to his salary and act thereon.

ART. 12. To see what action the town will take in regard to the use of the town house or take any other action relative thereto.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to defray the expenses of lighting the streets for the year ensuing and take any action relative thereto.

ART. 14. To see if the town will employ a person to ring the bell and care for the clock, and act thereon.

ART. 15. To see if the town will raise money to defray the expense of mowing, fencing and keeping in repair the several burying grounds, and act thereon.

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to choose a com-

mittee of three to be known as the committee on appropriations who shall carefully investigate and report to the next annual meeting the amounts needed in the several departments to be expended the ensuing year and act thereon.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$ 700.00 to pay discounts on notes or take any other action relative thereto.

ART. 18. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for suppression of the Brown Tail Moth as required in chapter 381, acts of 1905 and amendments thereto.

ART. 19. To hear the report of any committee or committees whose duty it is to report at this meeting, and act thereon.

ART. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 150.00 for spraying and trimming shade trees, and act thereon.

ART. 21. To see what action the town will take to reimburse the commonwealth for money due for abolition of grade crossing at Barrett's Junction to the amount of \$ 500.00, due Nov. 15, 1916, with interest at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent from July 22, 1914.

ART. 22. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$ 50.00 for the use of the G. A. R. Post No. 97, on Memorial Day and act thereon.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to sell Holyoke district schoolhouse, and to take action on what way the same may be disposed of. Signed by petition of Henry McKillop and sixteen others, in that neighborhood.

ART. 24. To see if the town will raise money to elevate the sidewalk and provide street drainage opposite the residences of M. A. Morse and D. D. Hazen. Signed by petition of M. A. Morse and thirteen others.

ART. 25. To see if the town will vote to maintain the electric light in front of the house of Arnold J. Rowe, also to maintain the following additional lights, one on Federal street near the house of W. D. E. Morse, one at the easterly end of



New street near the house of Mrs. Susan E. Chapman, two on Walnut street, one between the Methodist parsonage and house of C. R. Aldrich, and one at the junction of Walnut street and so called "new road", one on Jabish street opposite or between the Creamery and Morris' garage and one on North Main street between house of Mrs. Ellen Bridgman and iron watering trough, and to raise and appropriate money for same.

ART. 26. To see if the town will grant permission to Mrs. D. Louise Bridgman to set apart a portion of her land north of Mt. Hope Cemetery for cemetery purpose.

ART. 27. To see if the town will accept the sum of fifty dollars bequeathed by Mary E. Leach on condition that the income thereof shall be used for the perpetual care of lot No. 262 in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

ART. 28. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$ 1,000.00 to use in conjunction with \$ 2,000.00 to be provided by the state of Massachusetts under supervision of the state Highway Commission, the money to be used on the highway between Amherst and Belchertown commencing near the Amherst town line.

ART. 29. To see if the town will vote to pay the estate of George S. Warner, \$ 50.00 in addition to \$ 75.00 already received for collecting a portion of the taxes for the year of 1914.

ART. 30. To see if the town will pay car fare of pupils from South Belchertown to the High school and act thereon.

ART. 31. To see if the town will vote to put two more lights in the south end, one at the house of James Fitzgerald and one at Thomas Connors' corner and raise money for same.

ART. 32. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning Jan. 1, 1916, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 22,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable in one year.

ART. 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred and one dollars and twenty eight cents (\$ 701.28) to meet the obligations incurred by the committee on water supply for the engineering services of James L. Tighe, consulting Engineer, and W. H. and H. W. Brainard, surveyors.

ART. 34. To see if the town will accept a bequest of one hundred dollars from Mary W. Shumway on condition that the income from the same be expended in the care of the lot in which she and her husband, George F. Shumway are buried, said lot being in the old South or Forward Cemetery.

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

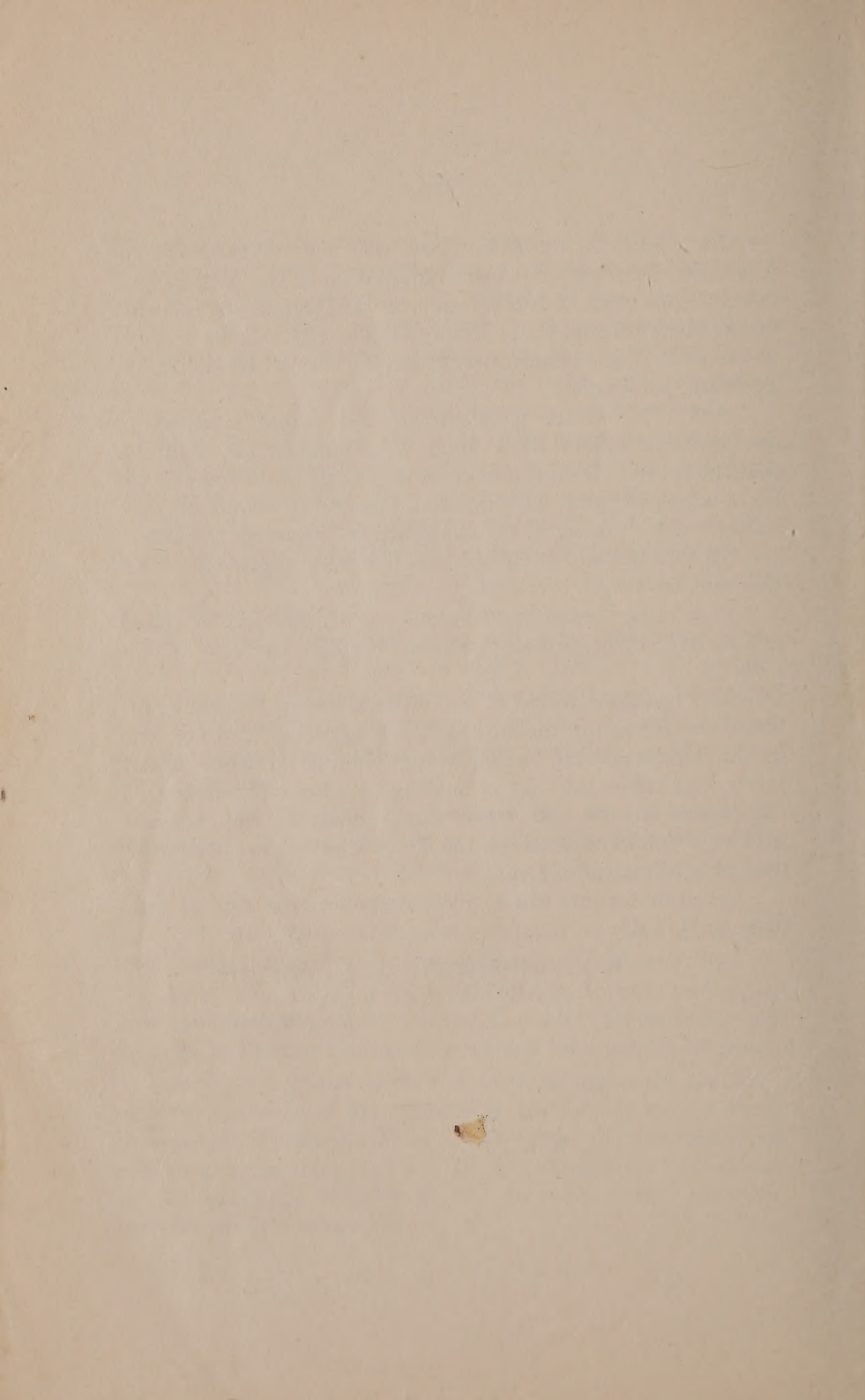
Polls to be opened at 10 o'clock A. M. and may be closed at 3 o'clock P. M. unless otherwise ordered by vote of the town.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight and one at Keyes hotel, seven days before the time of holding the aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-seventh day of January A. D. 1916.

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|----------------|---|------------------------------------------------------|
| E. F. SHUMWAY, | } | <i>Selectmen</i><br><i>of</i><br><i>Belchertown.</i> |
| J. J. GARVEY,  |   |                                                      |

























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